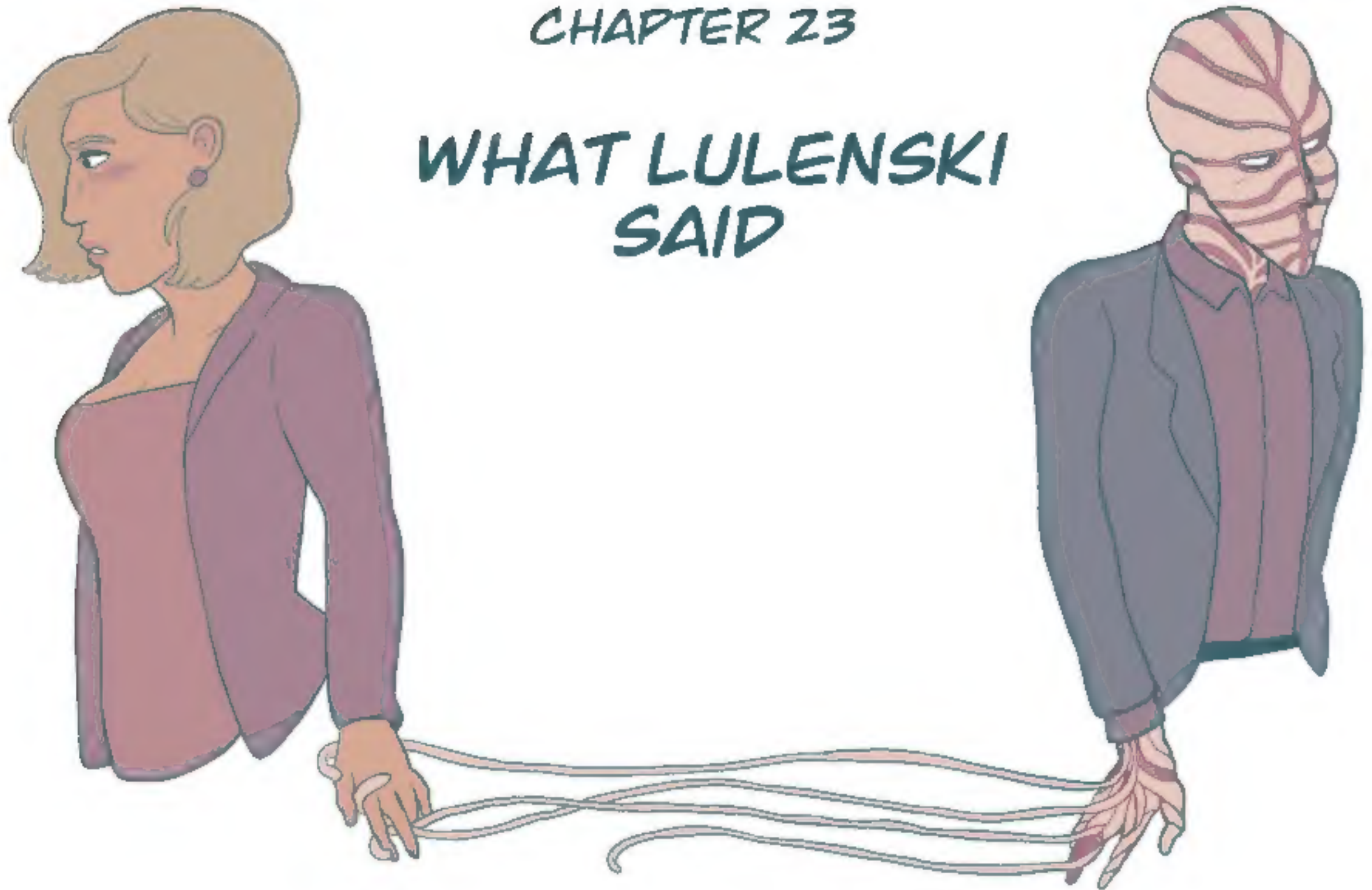


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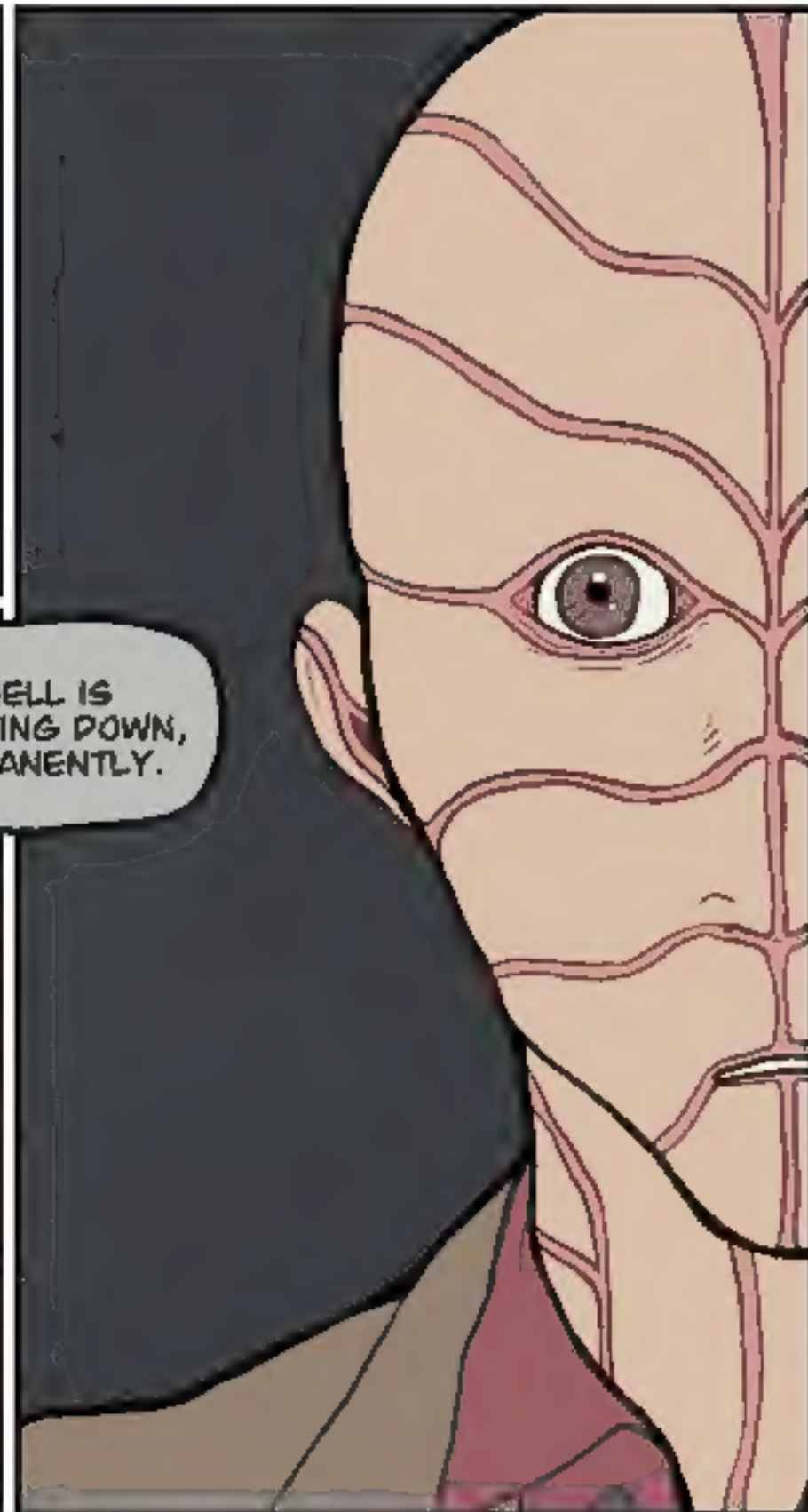
# WHAT LULENSKI SAID



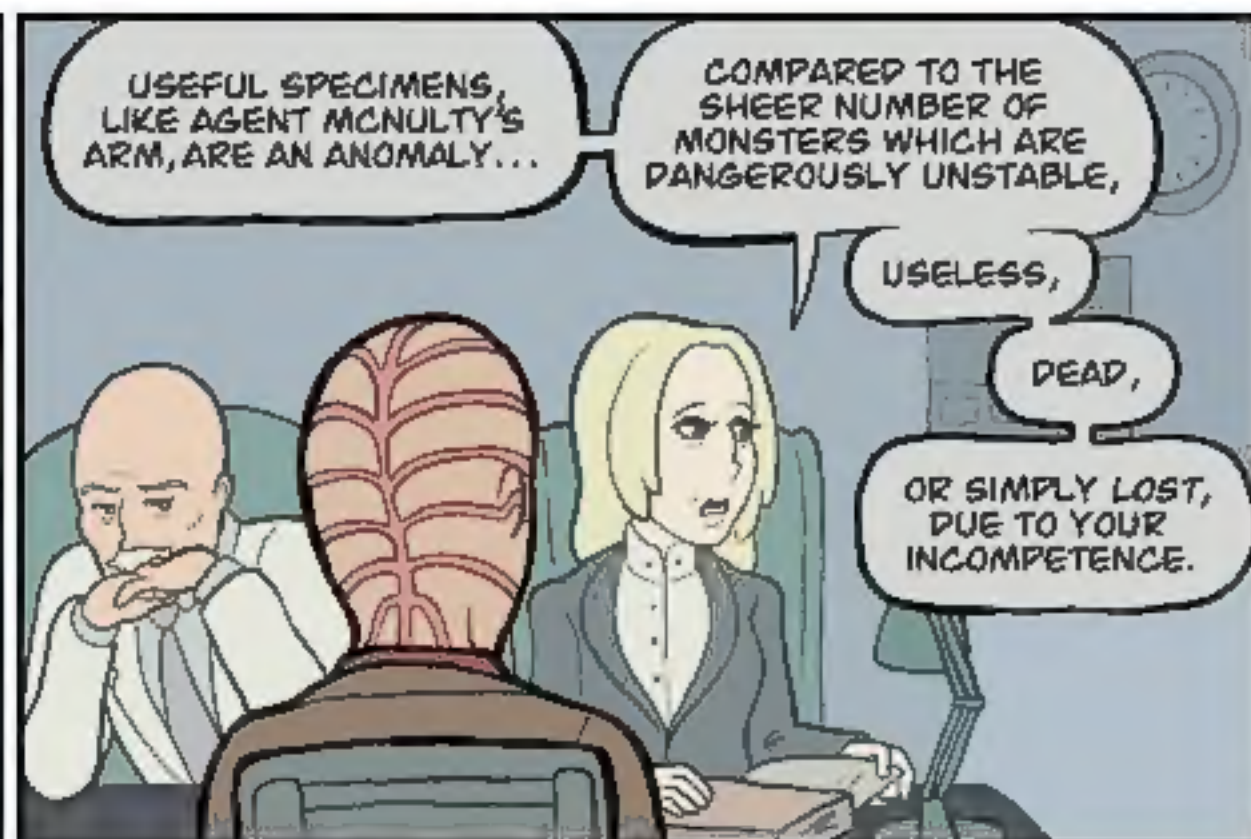
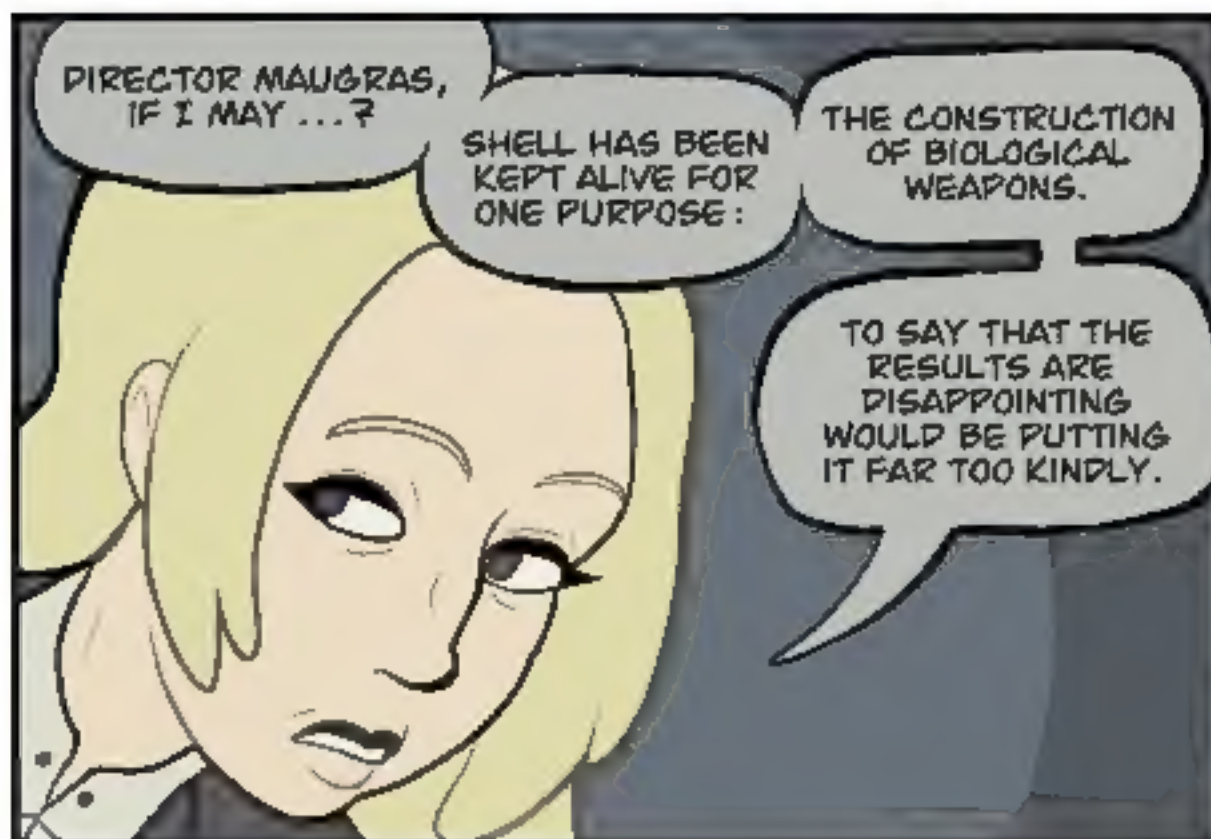
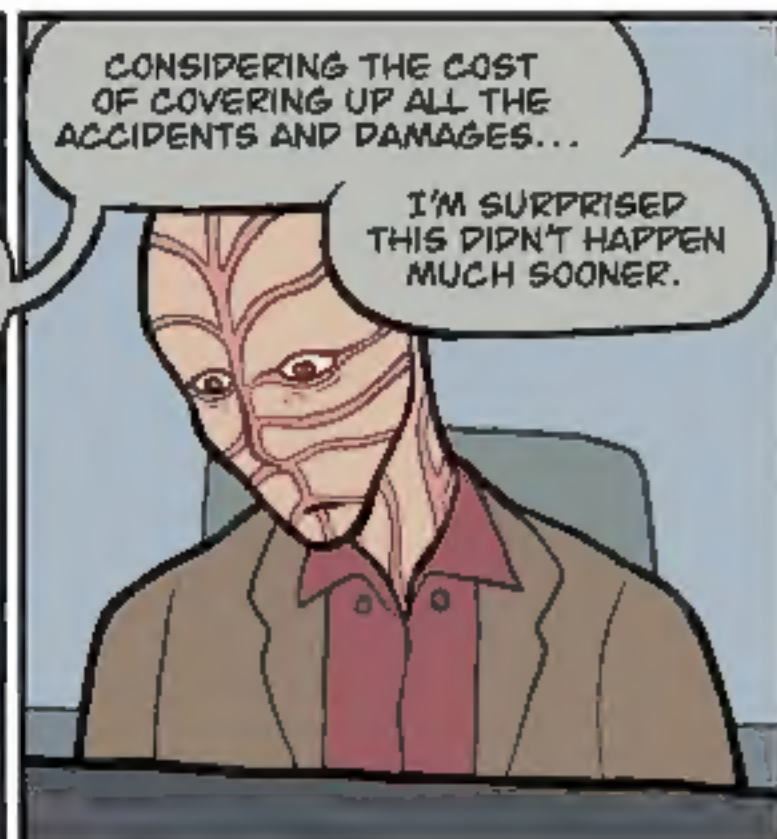
WEEKS EARLIER

RJINDER, I CALLED YOU  
IN HERE TODAY BECAUSE  
IT'S ONLY RIGHT THAT  
YOU'RE THE FIRST  
TO KNOW.

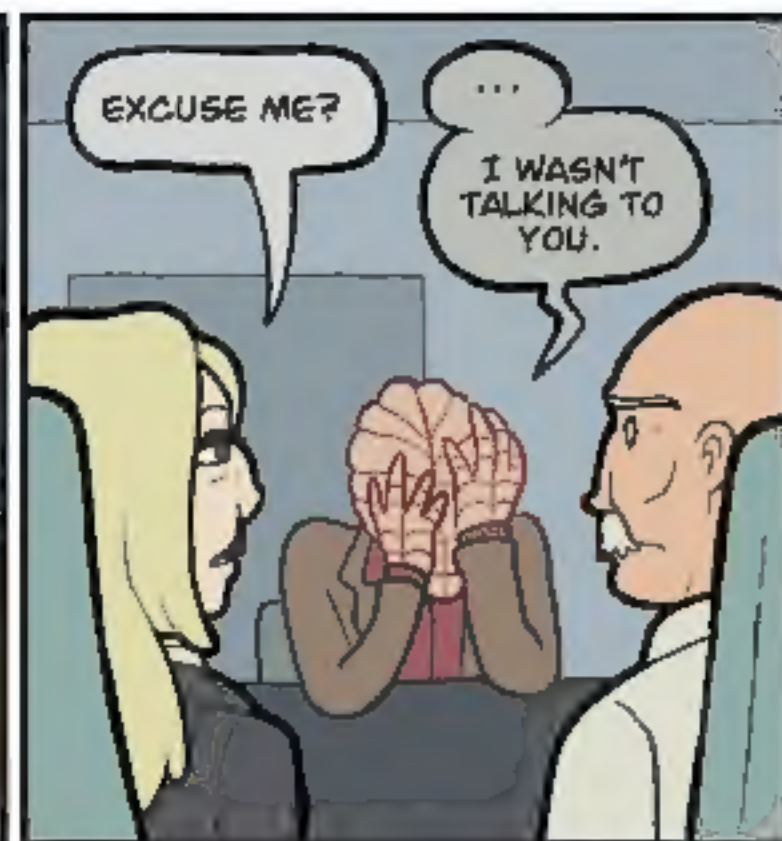
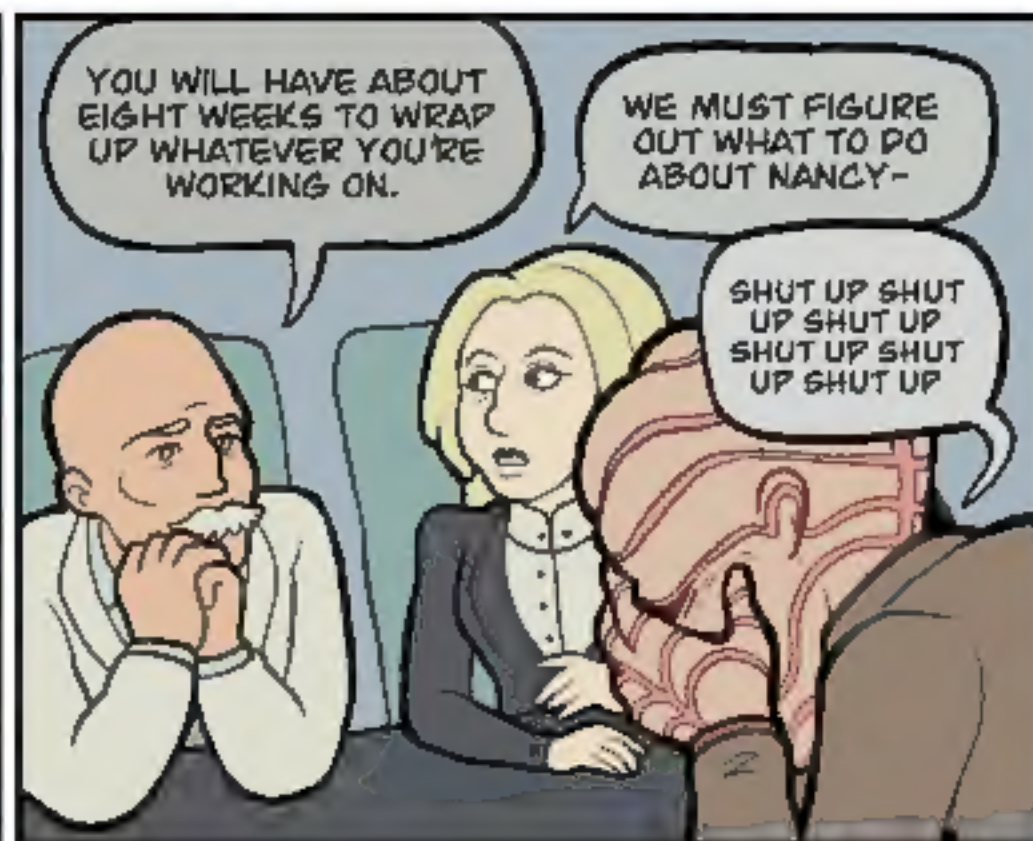
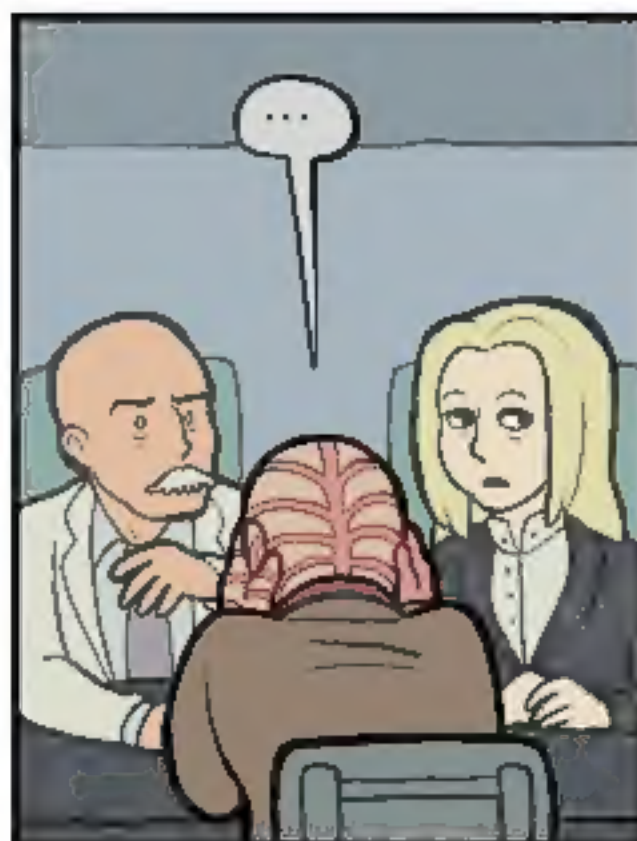
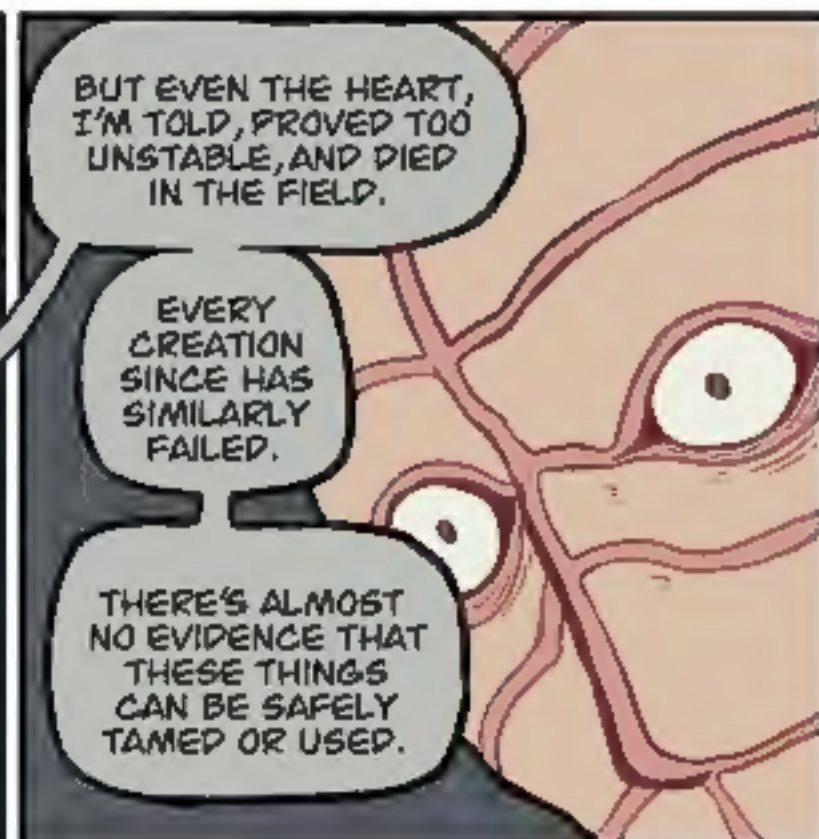
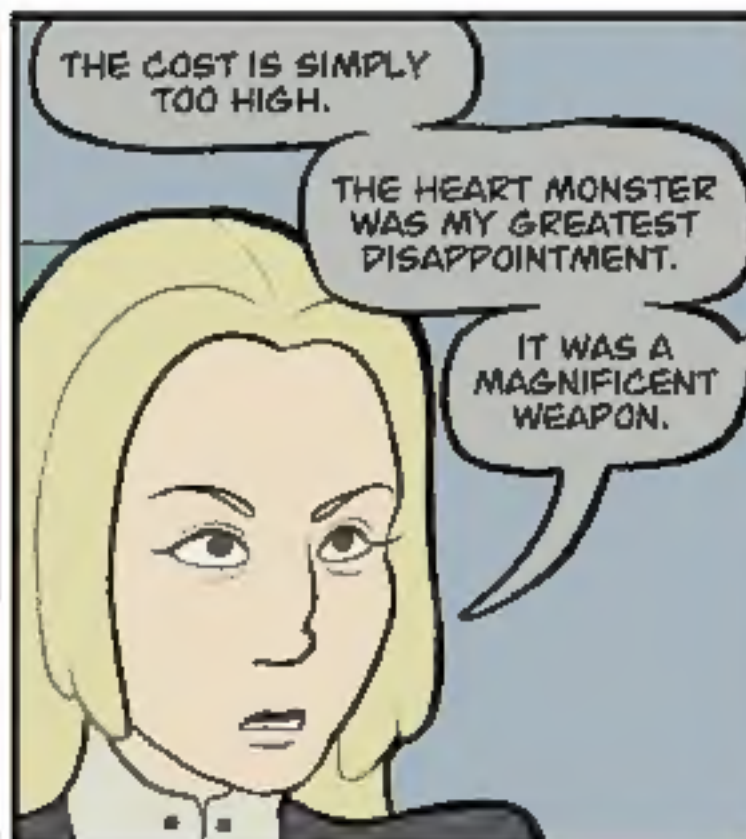
SHELL IS  
SHUTTING DOWN,  
PERMANENTLY.











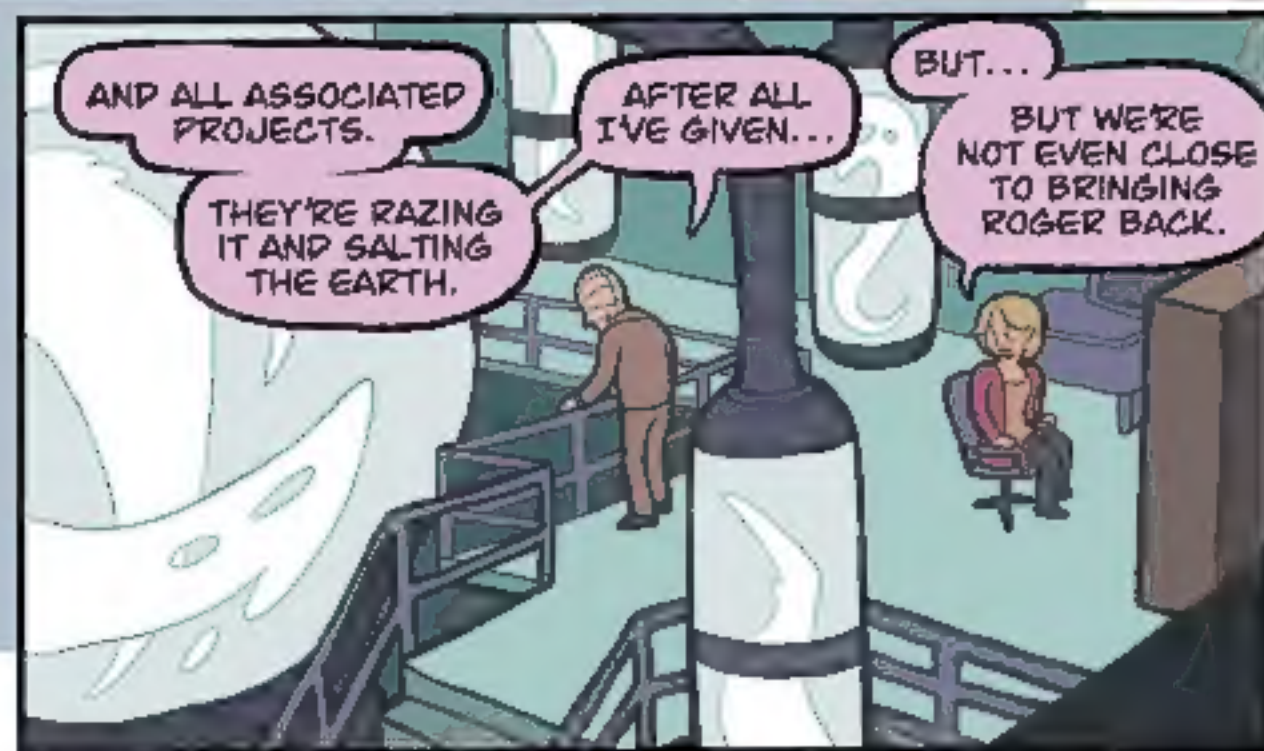




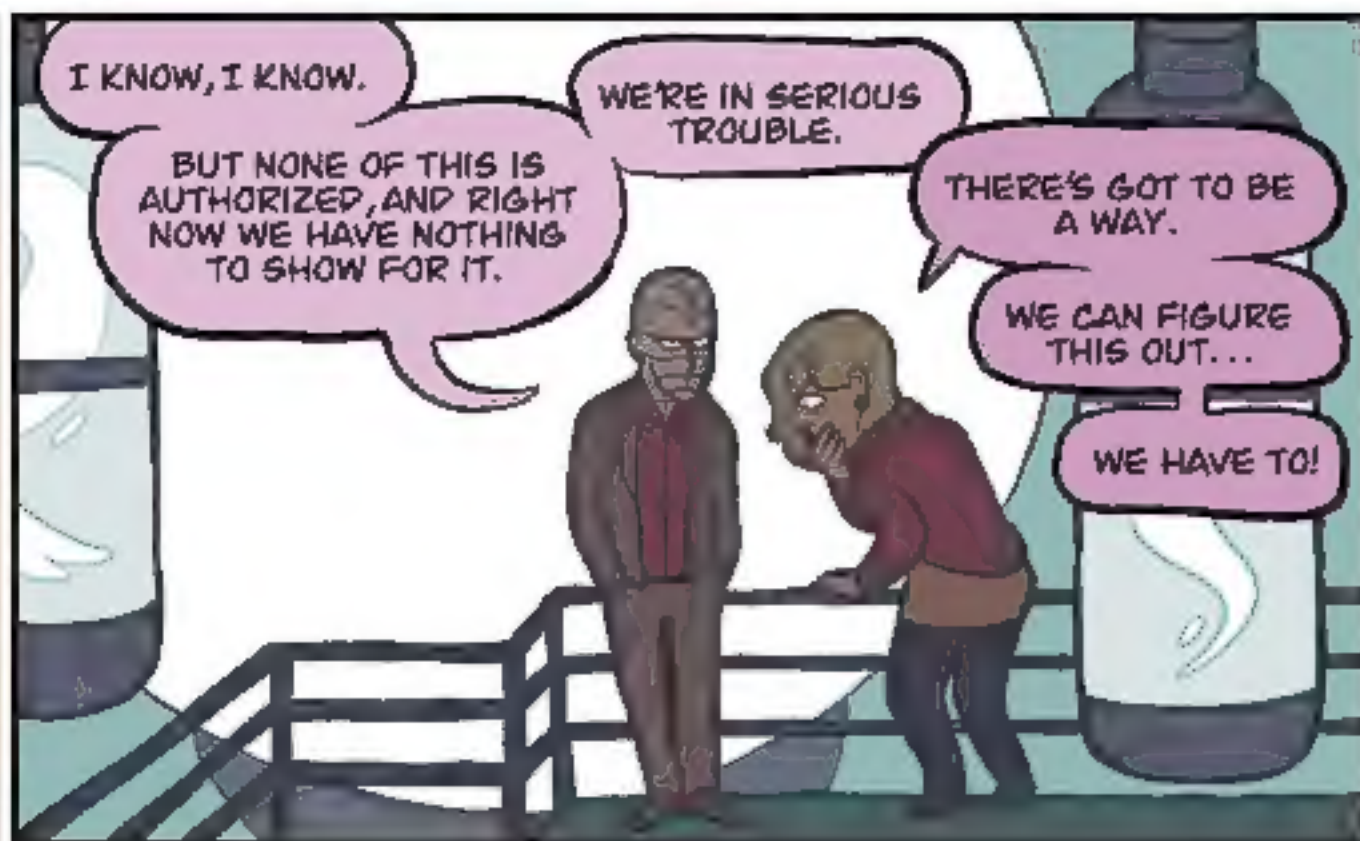
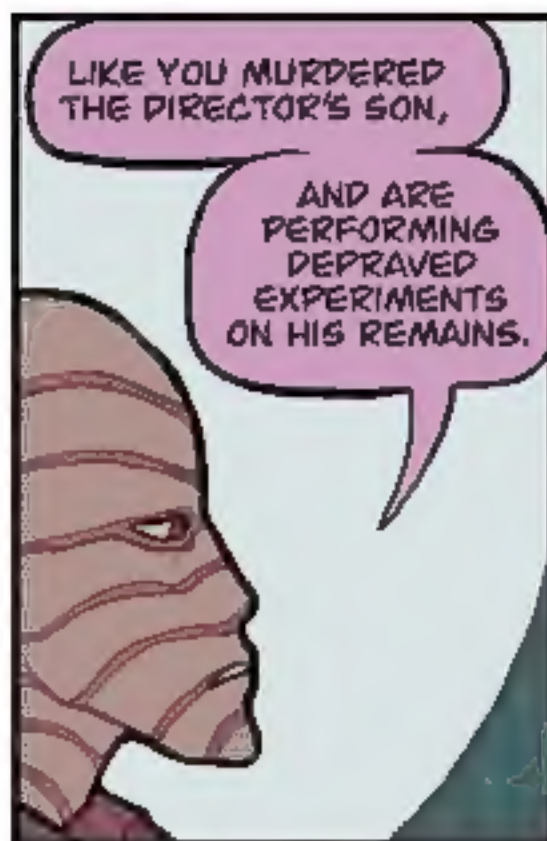
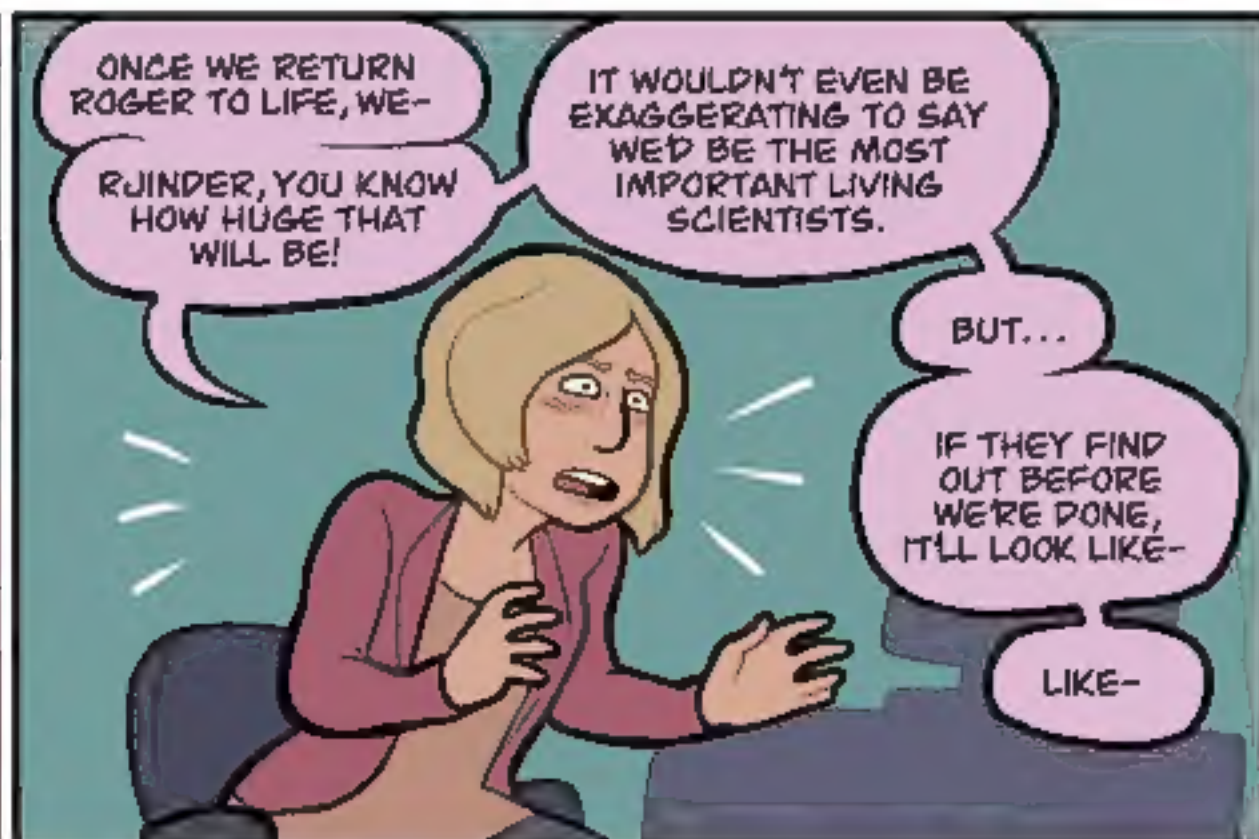




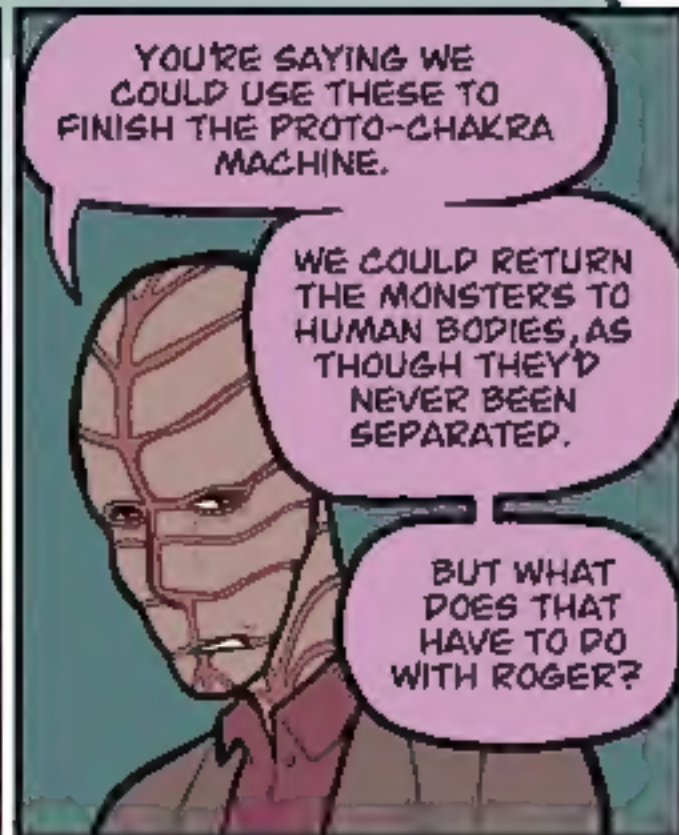
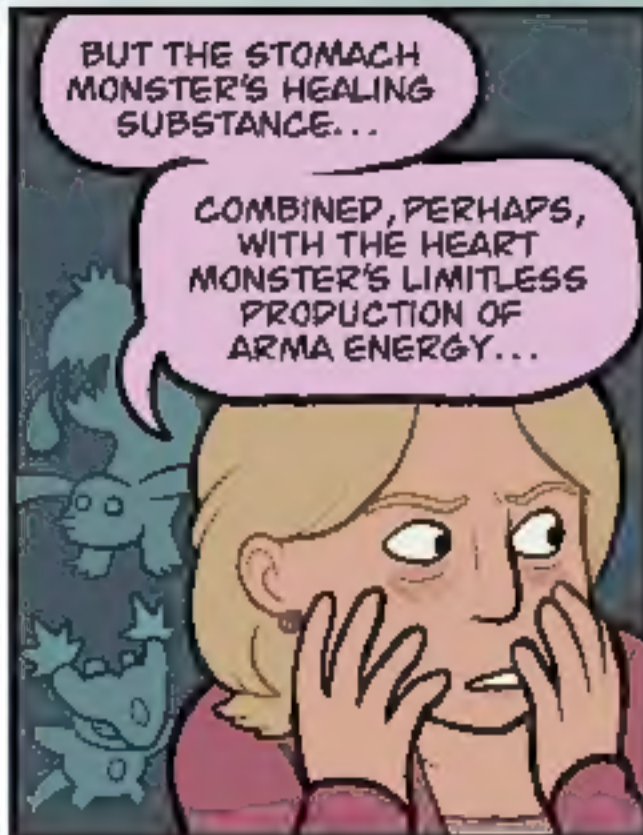
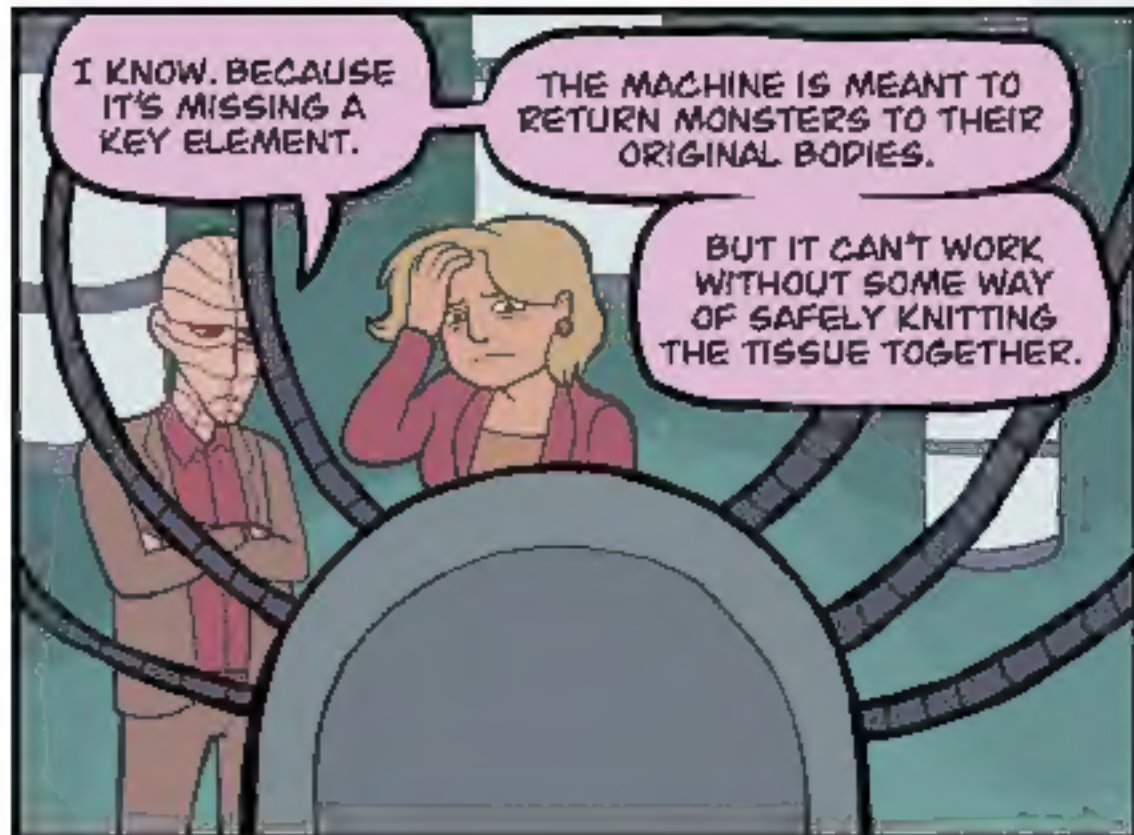
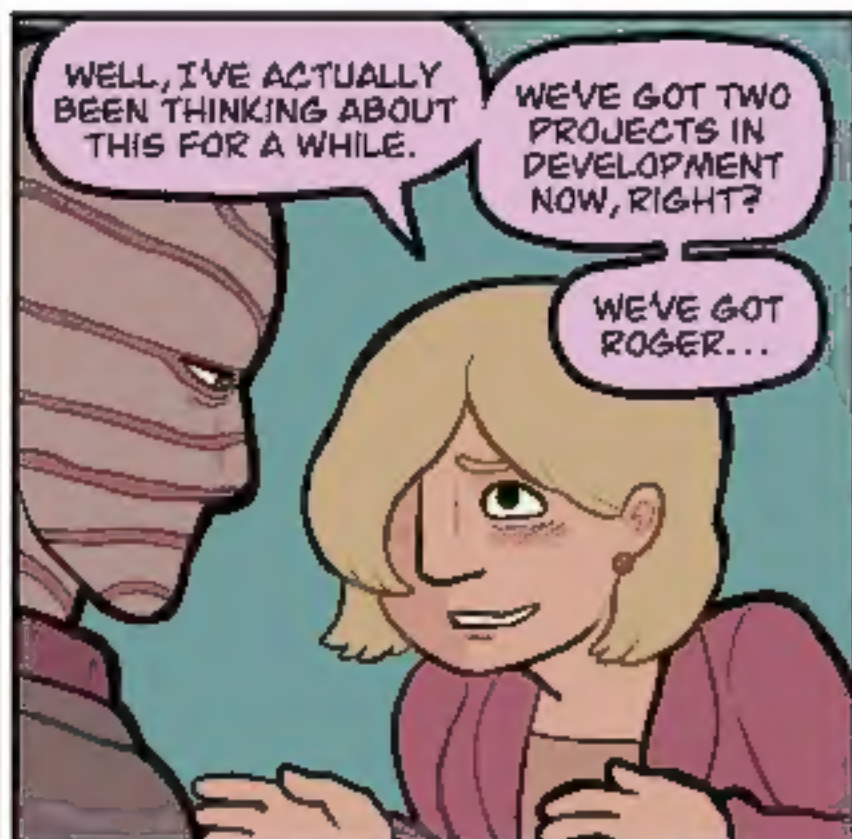




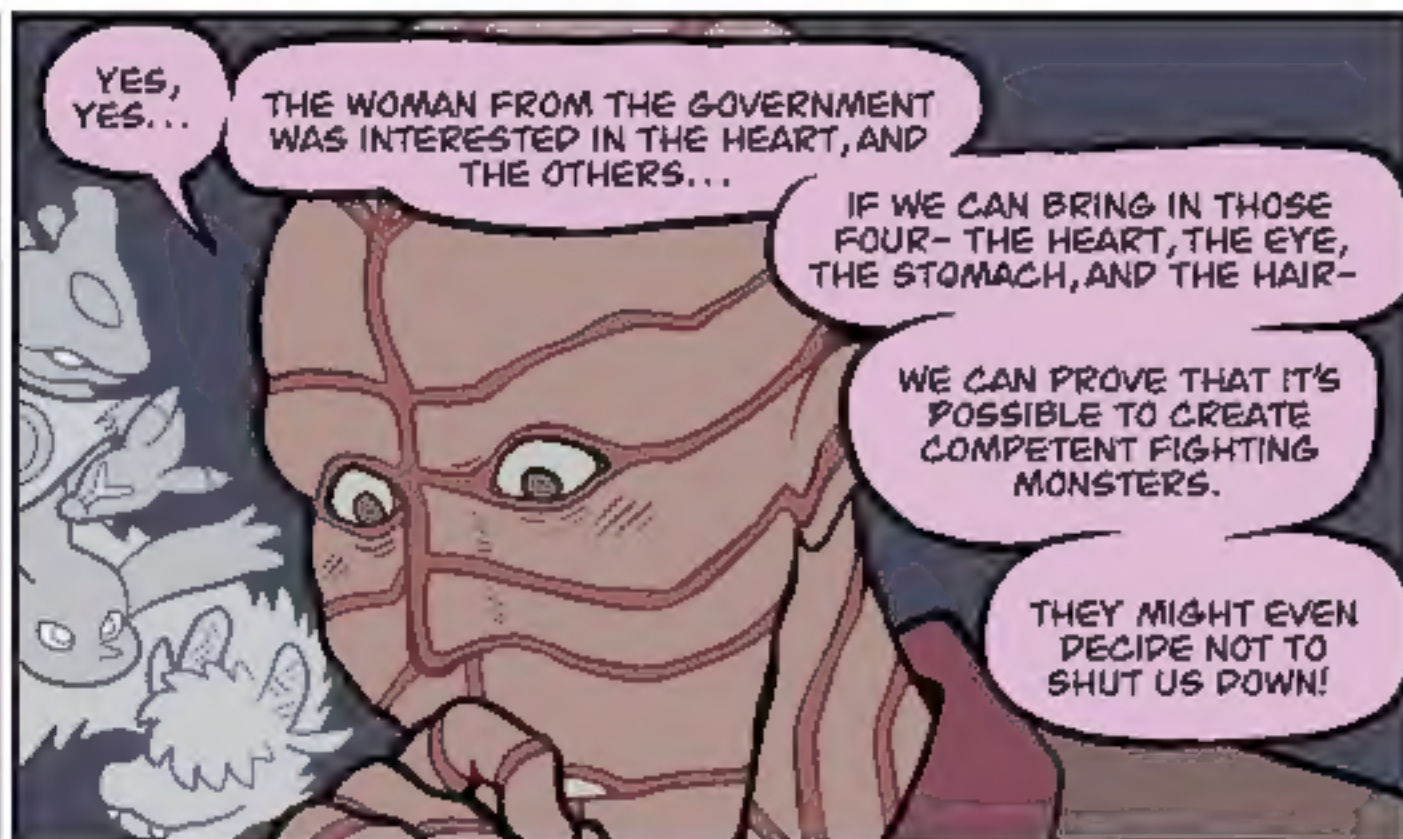
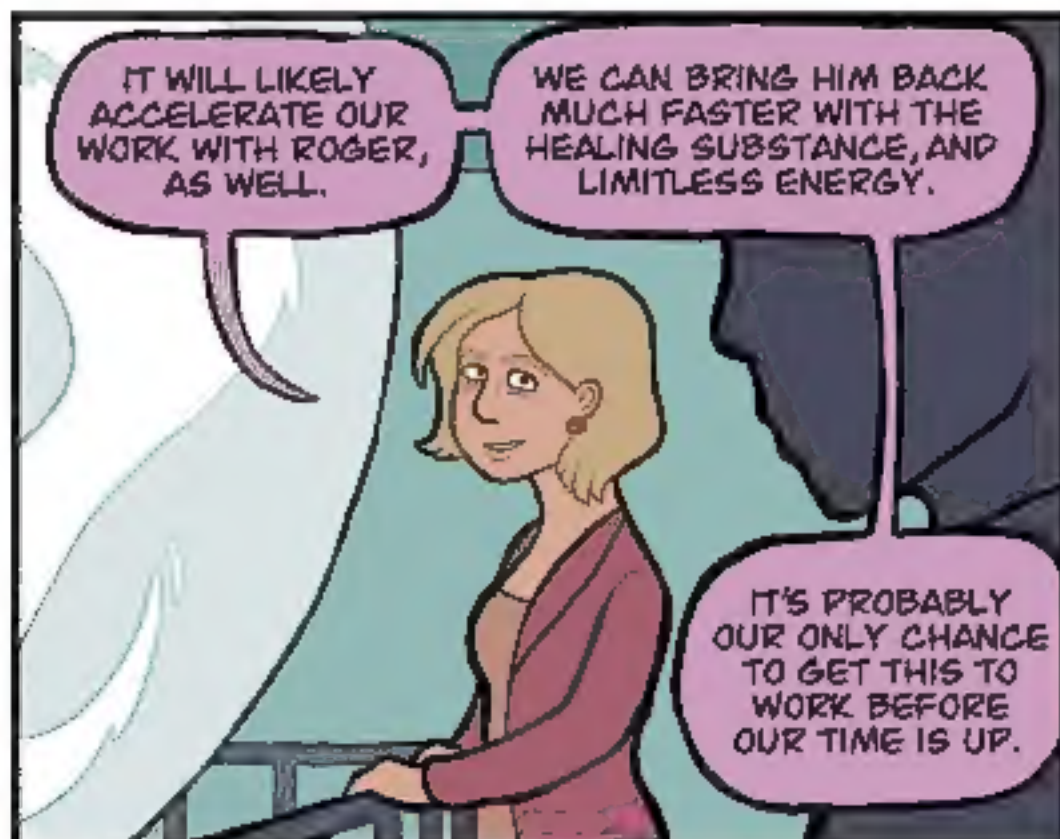




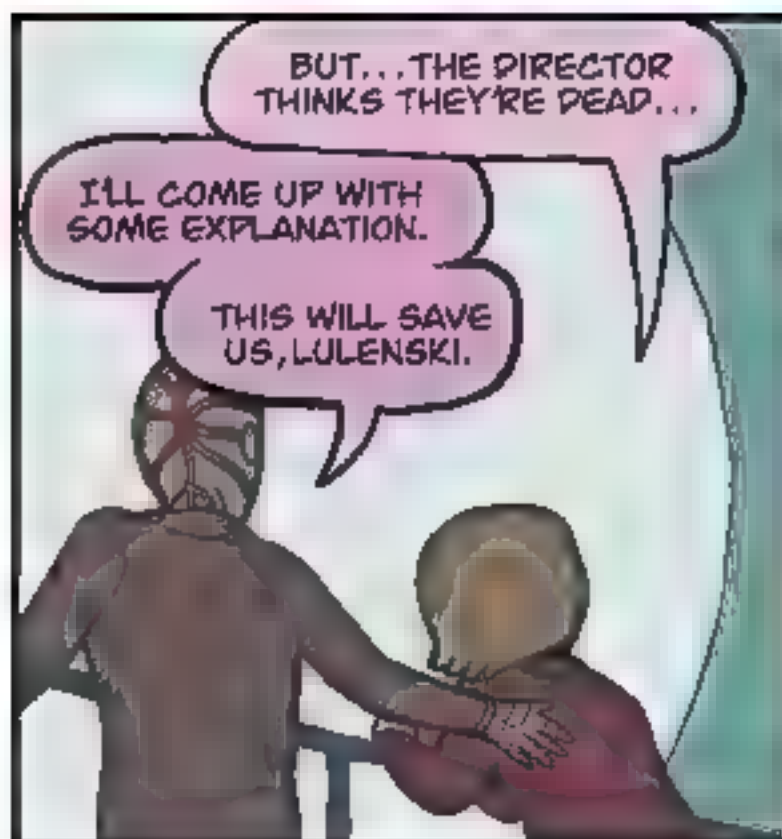
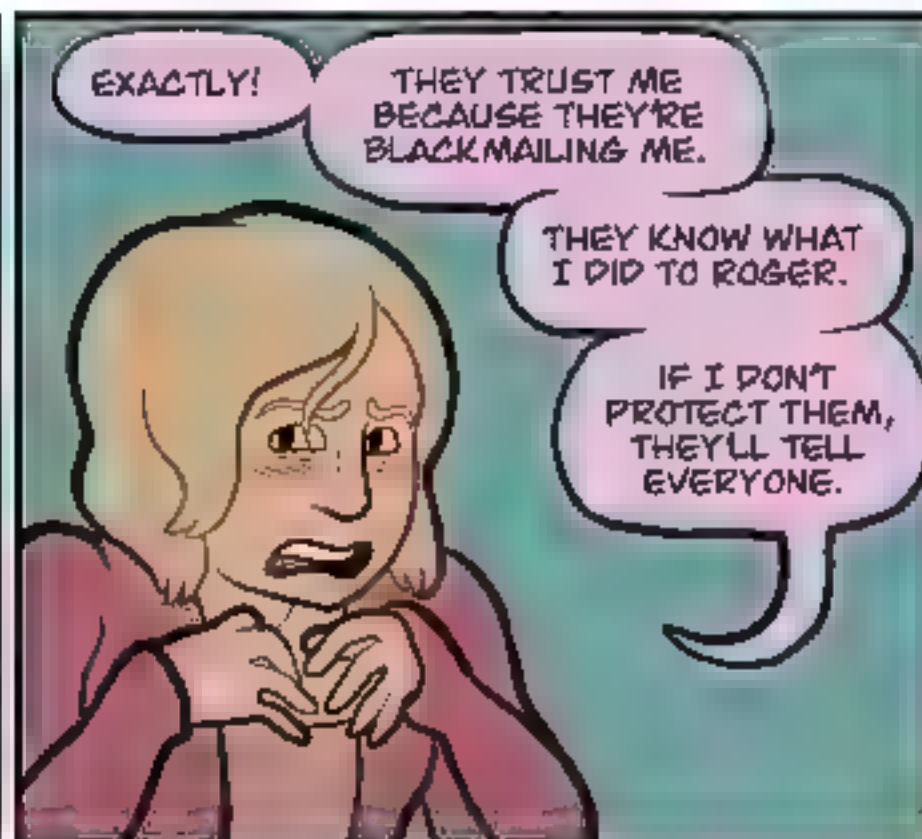
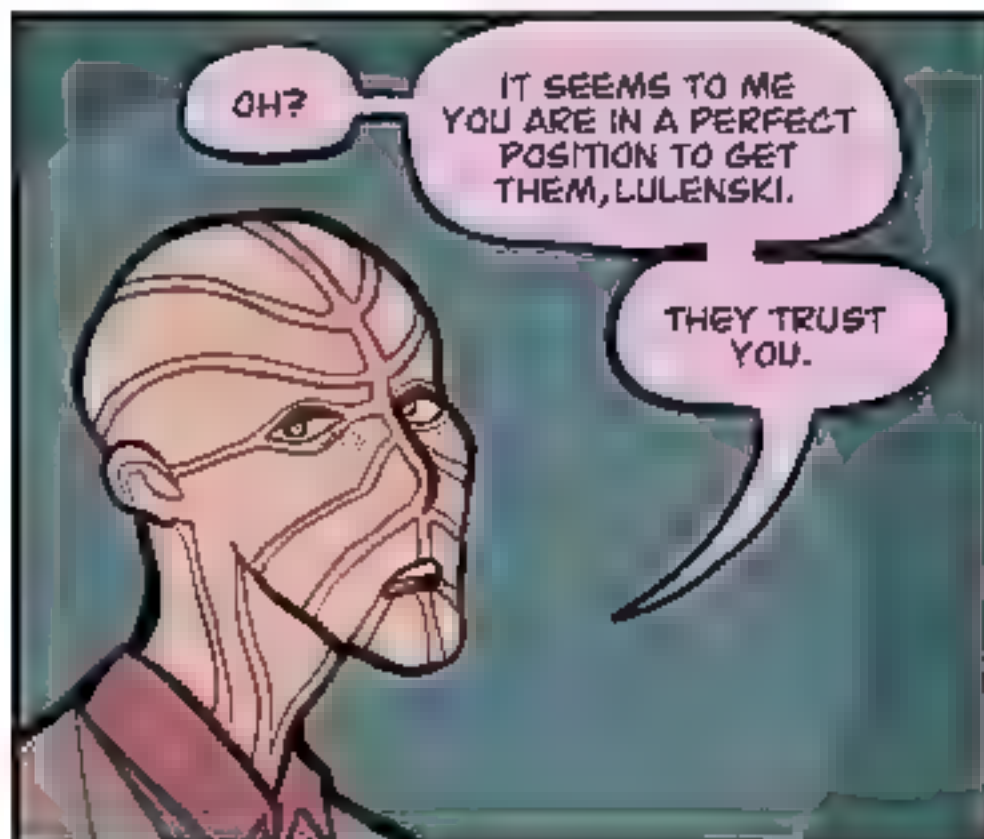




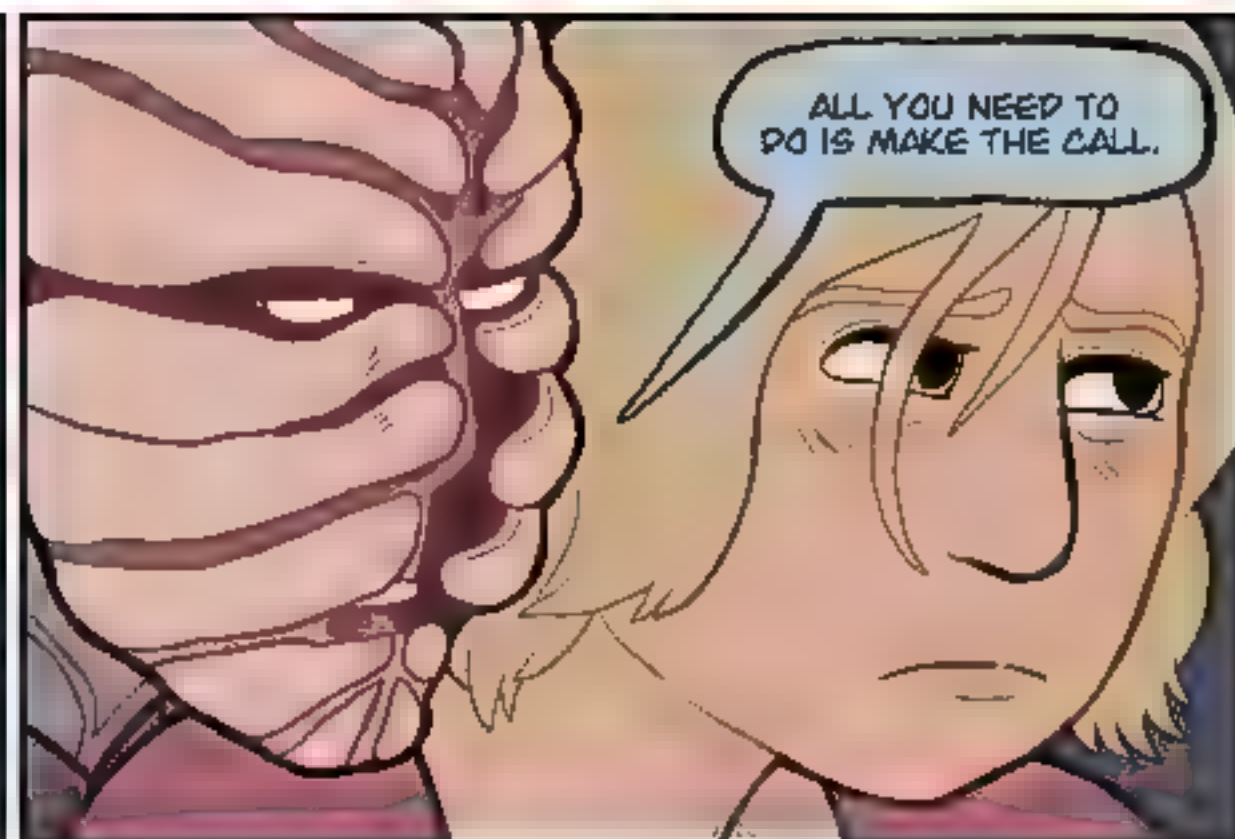
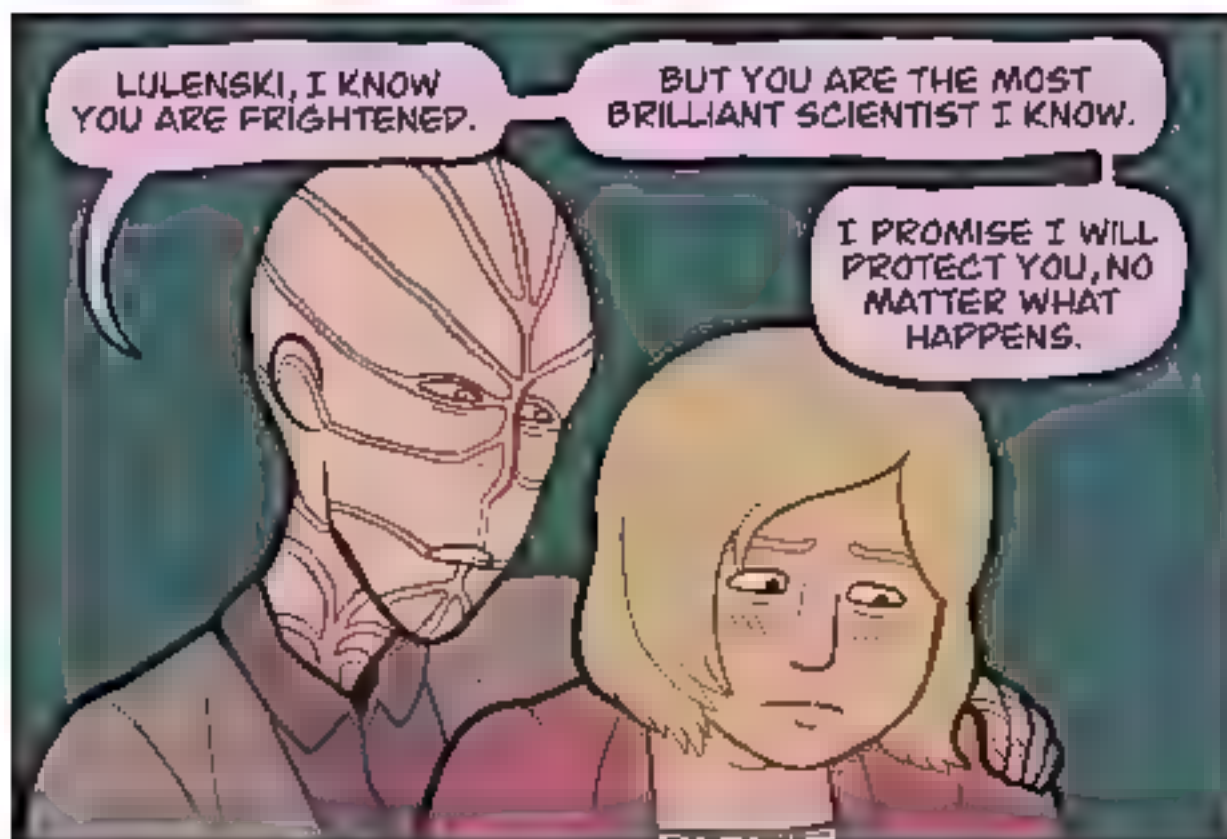
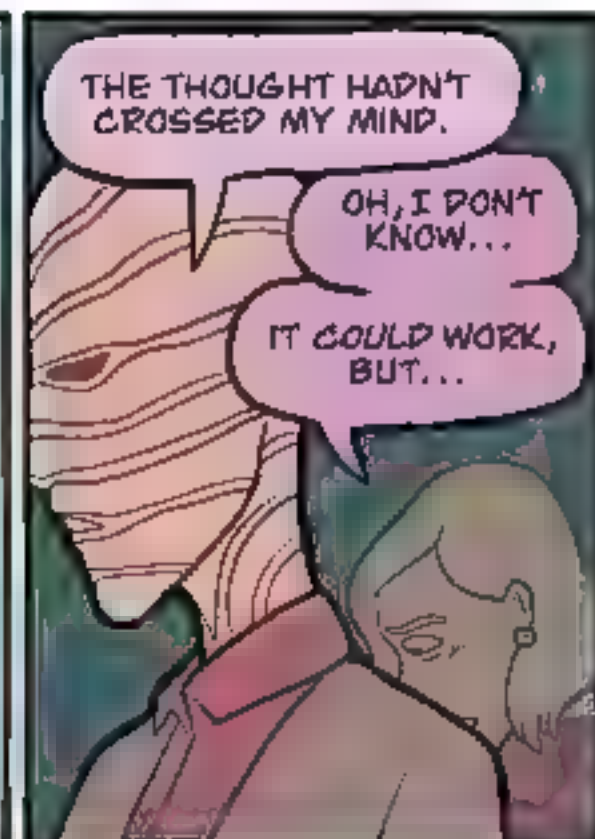
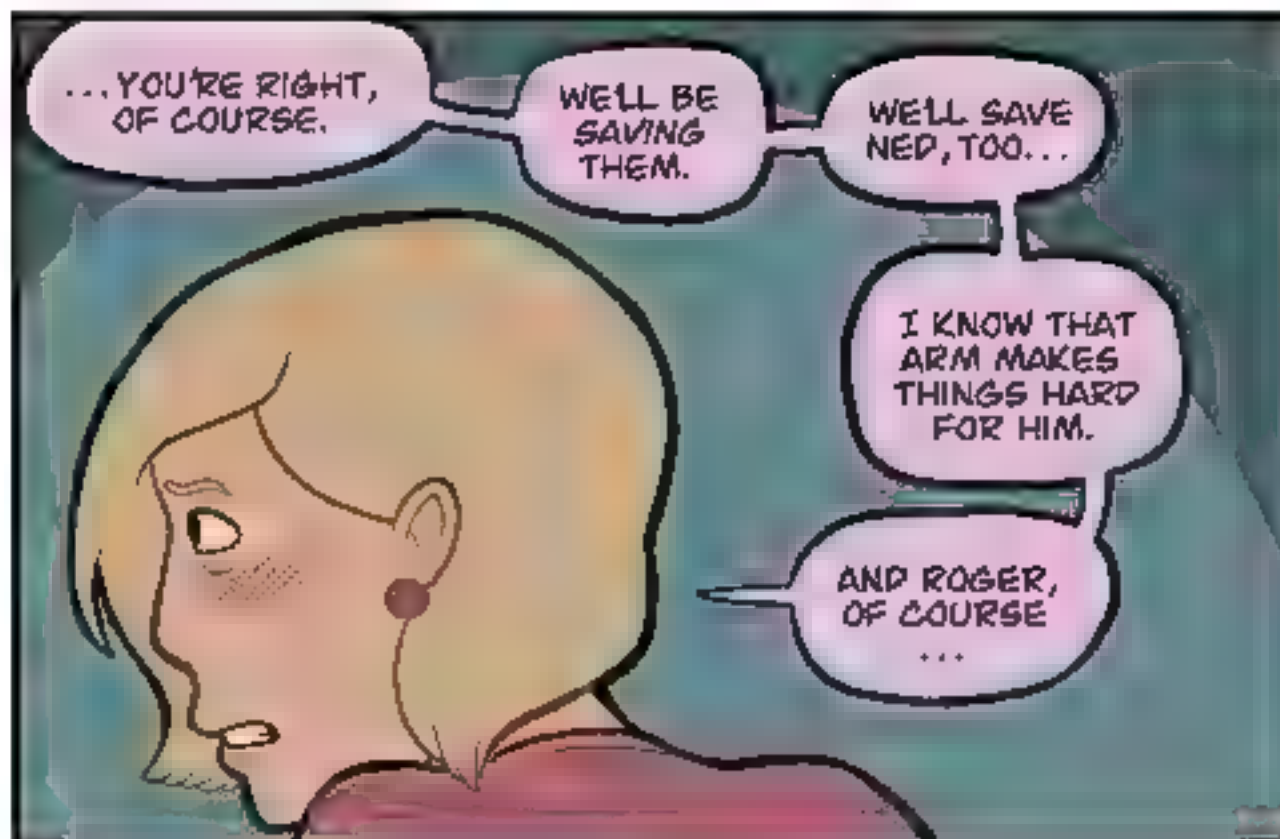




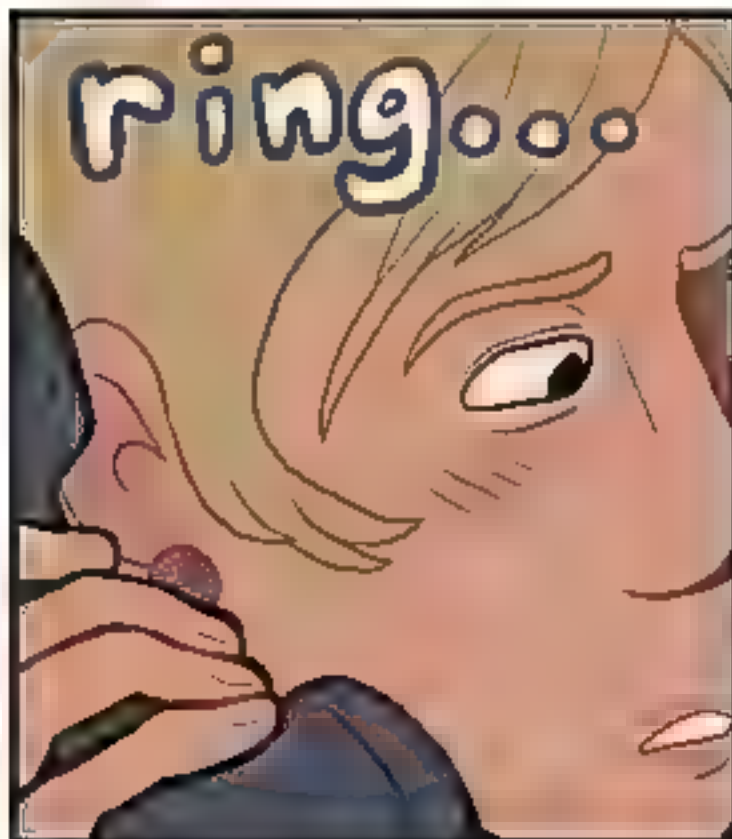




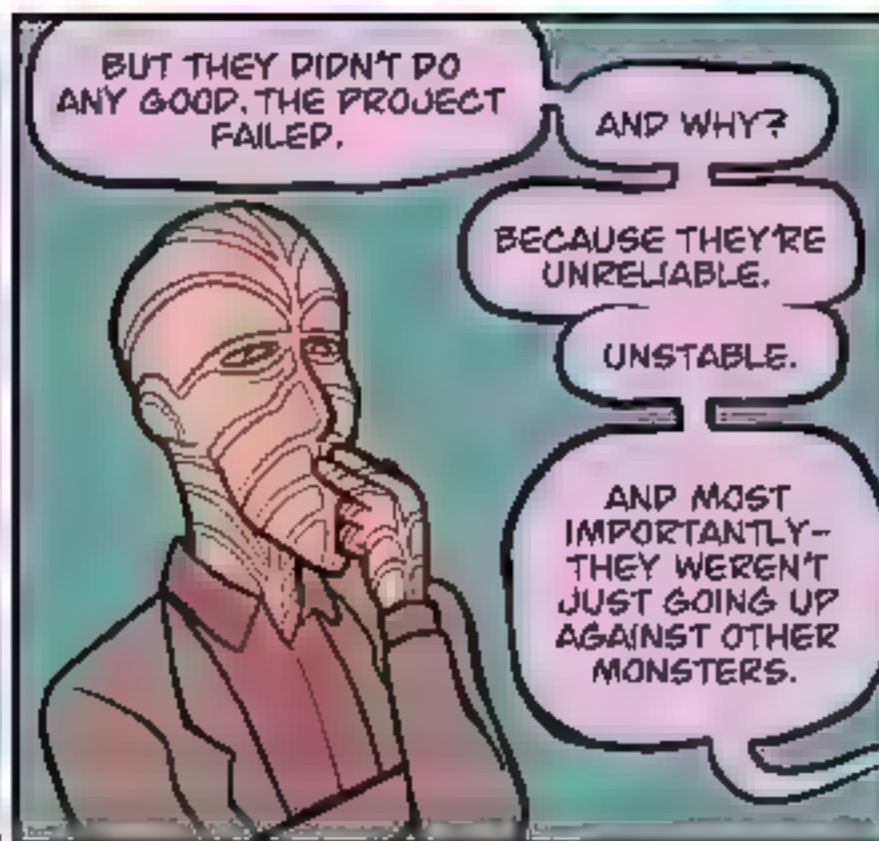
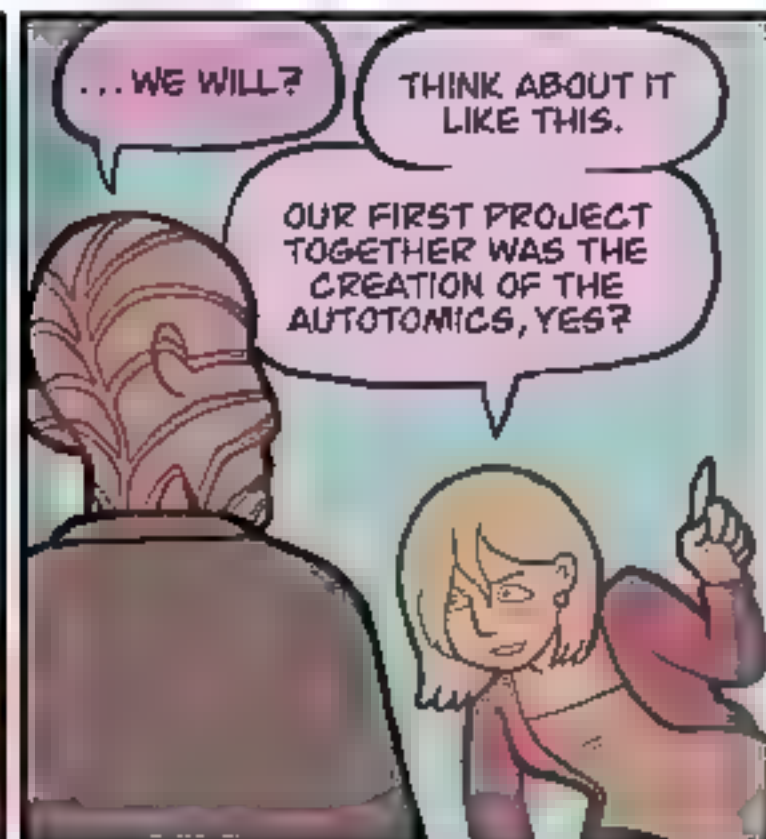
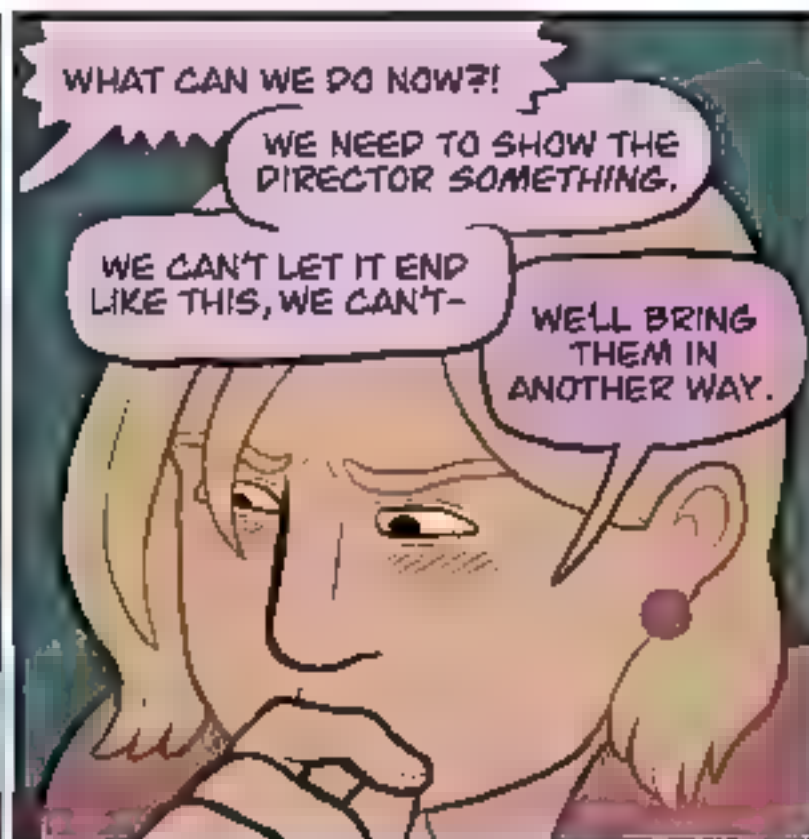
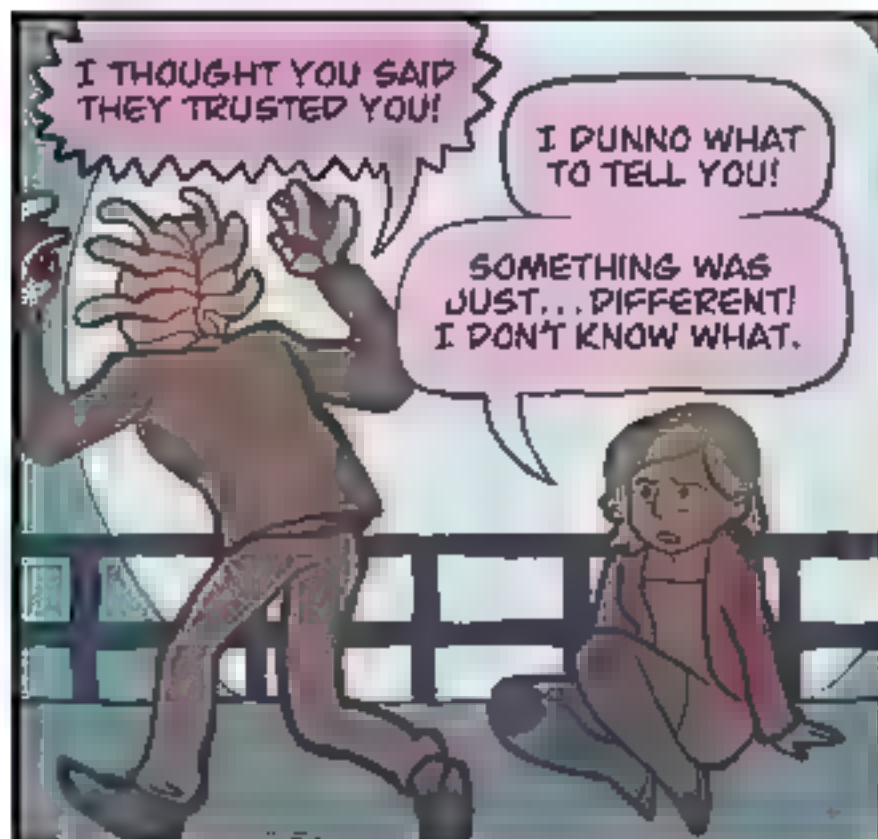




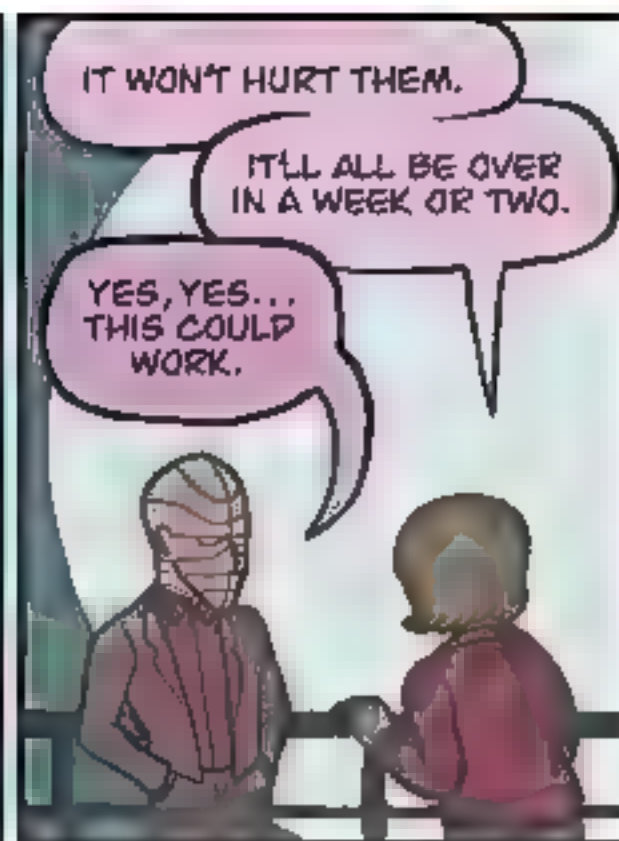
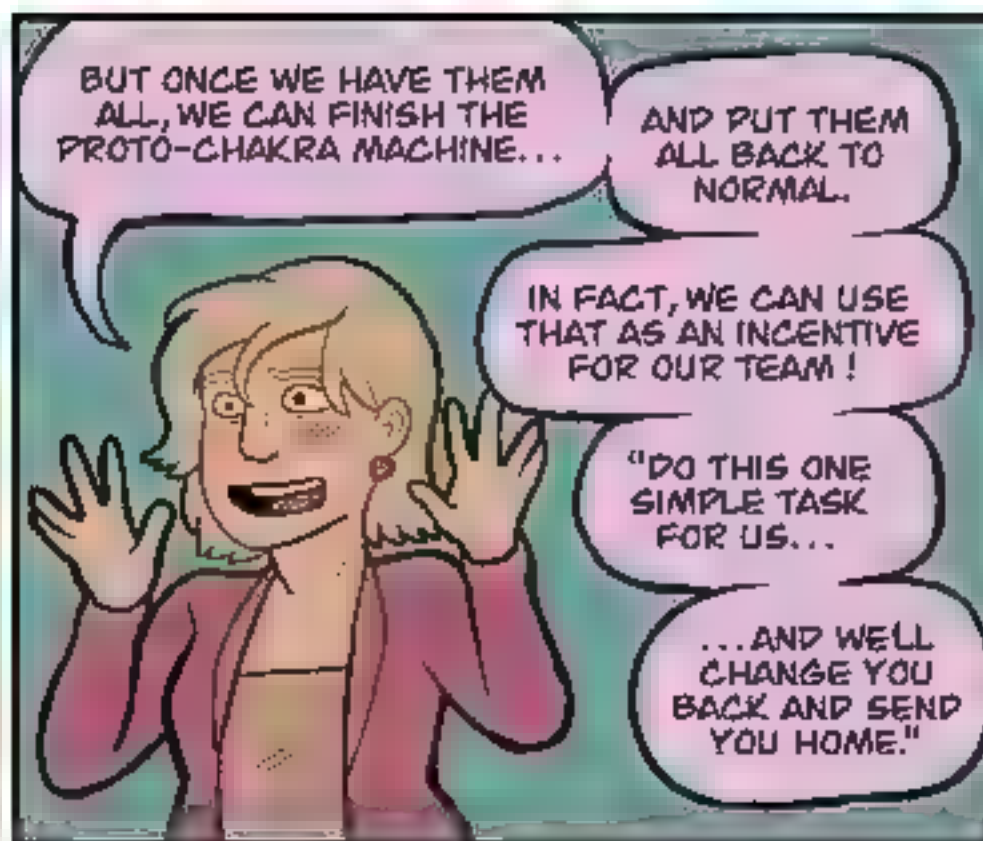
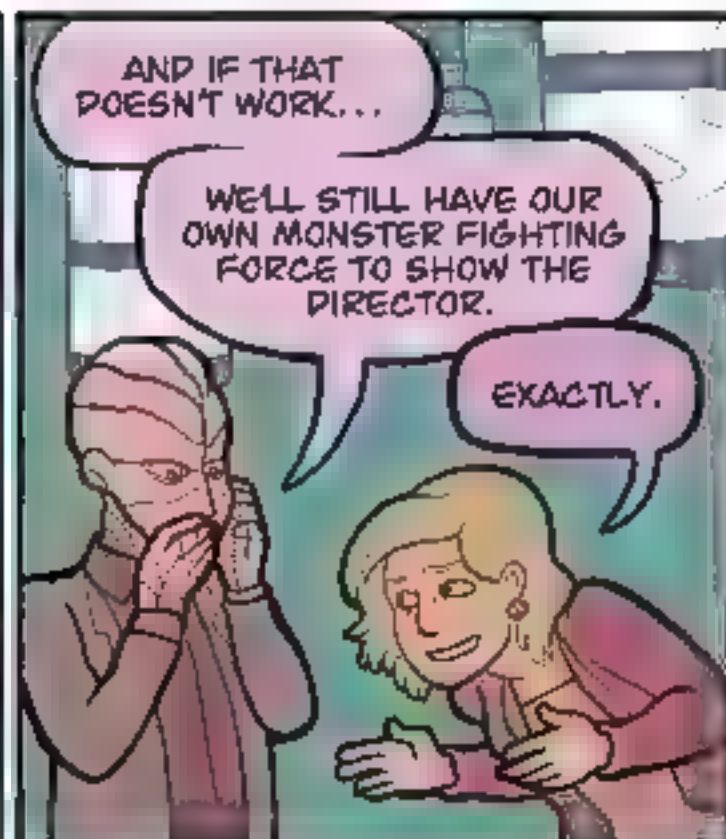
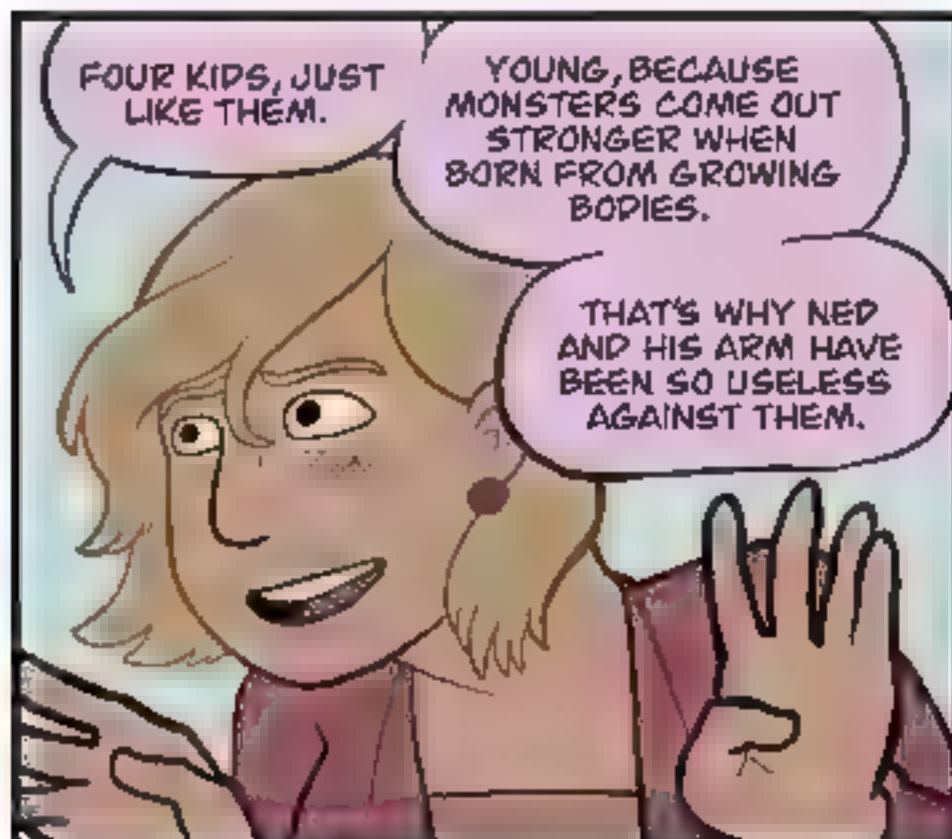




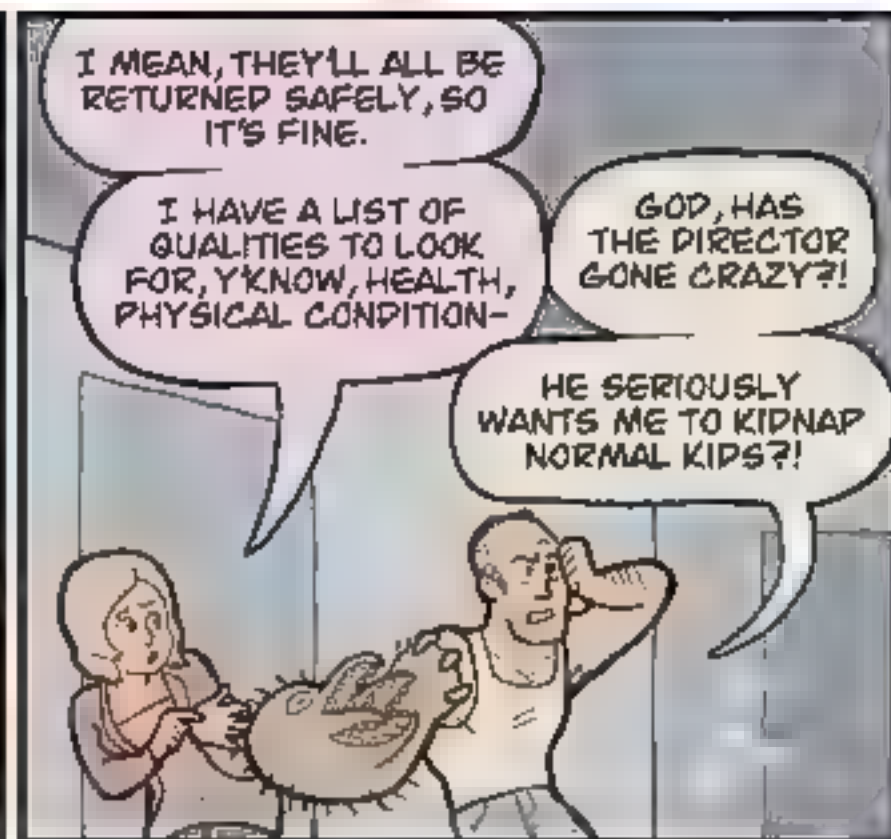
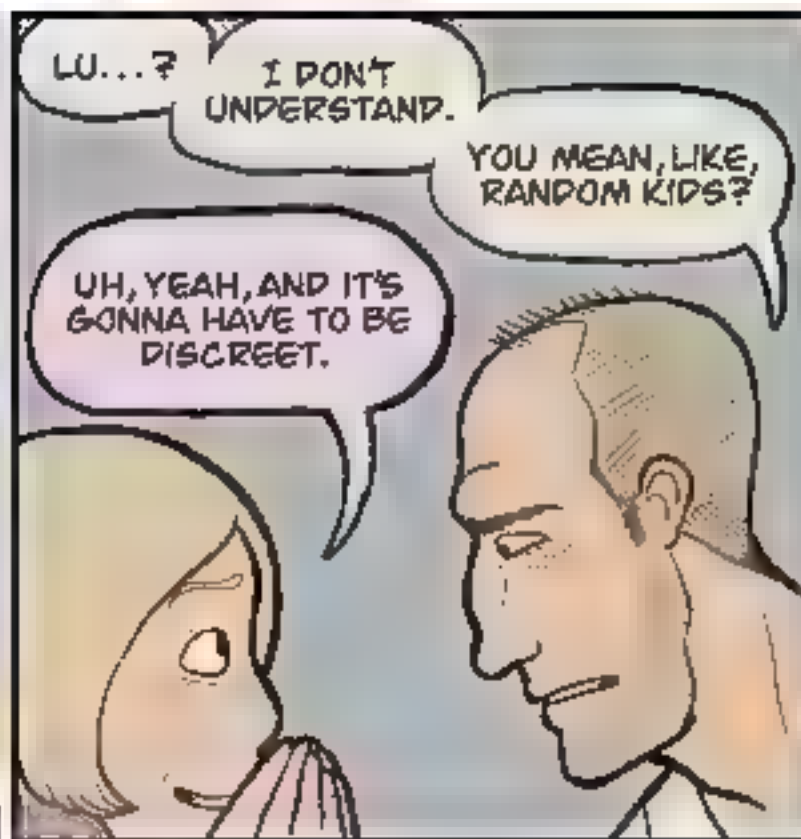
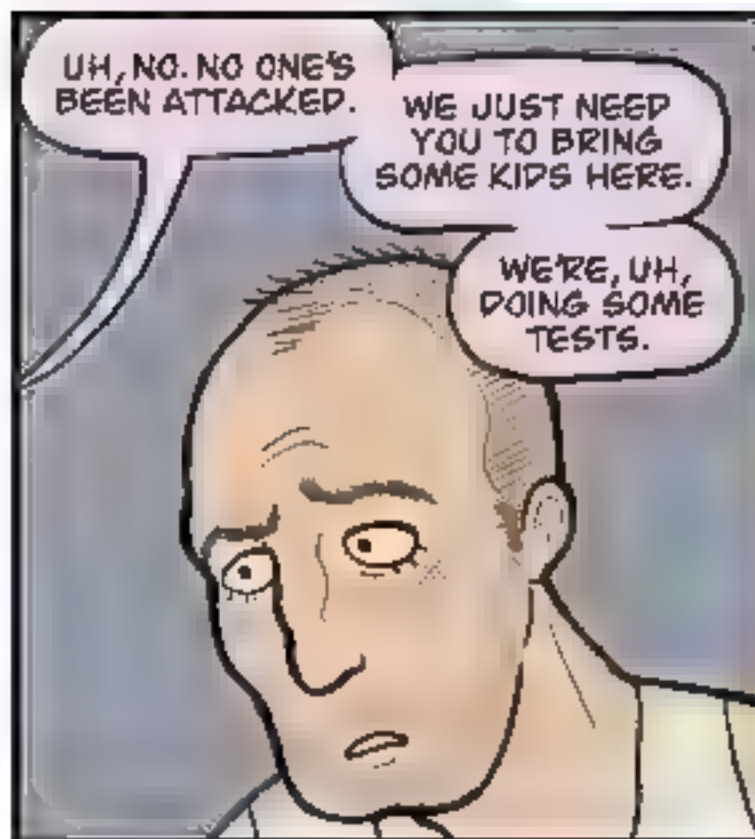
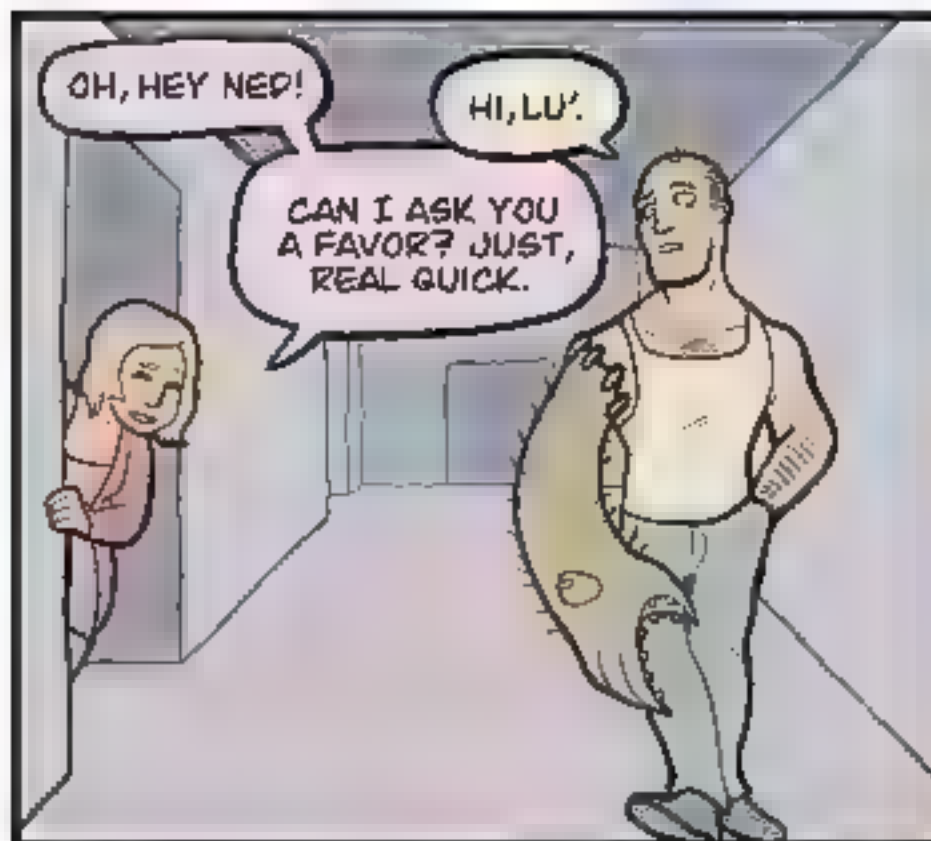




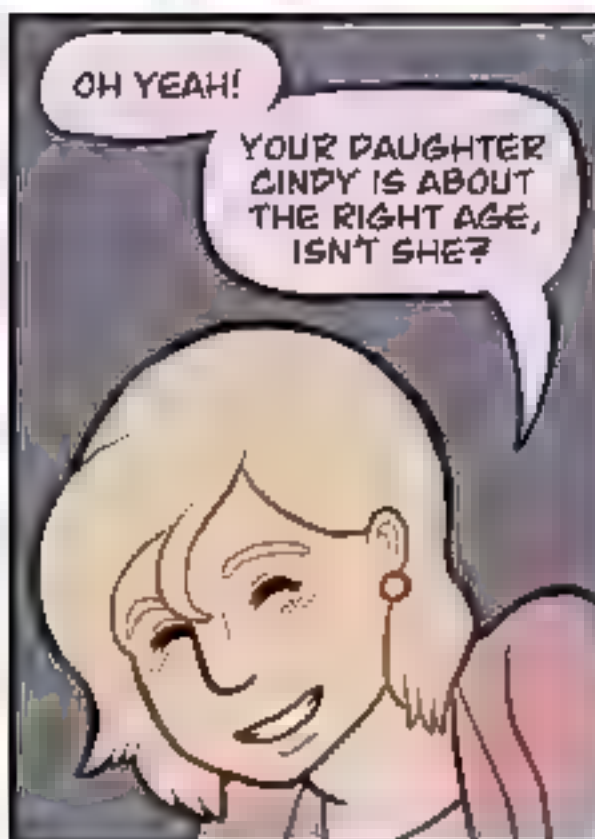
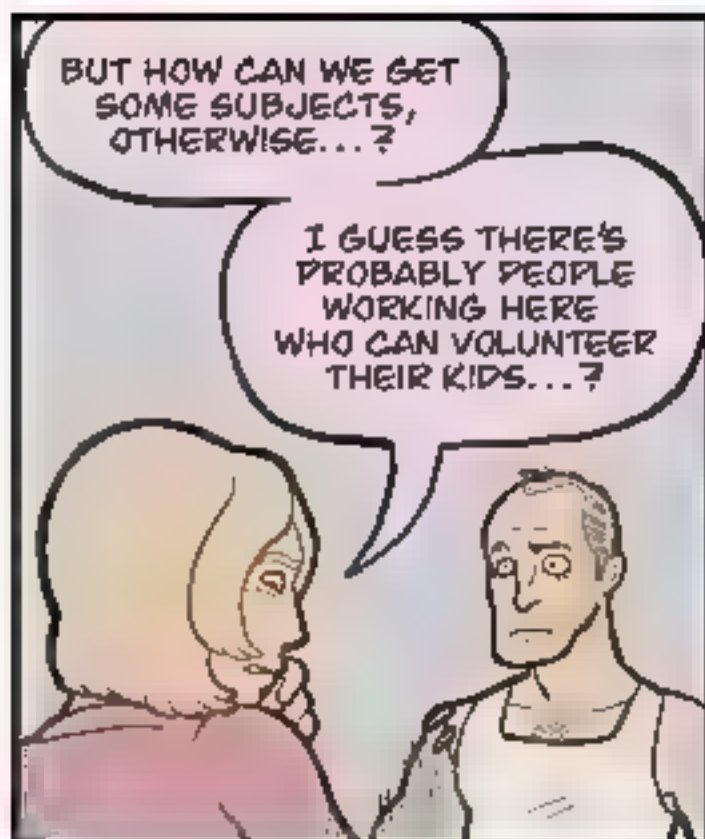
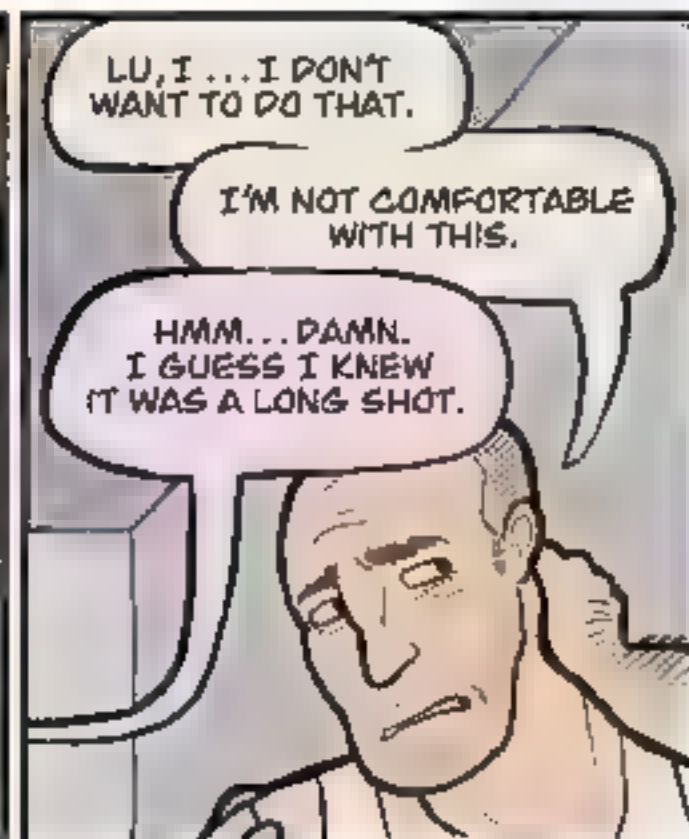
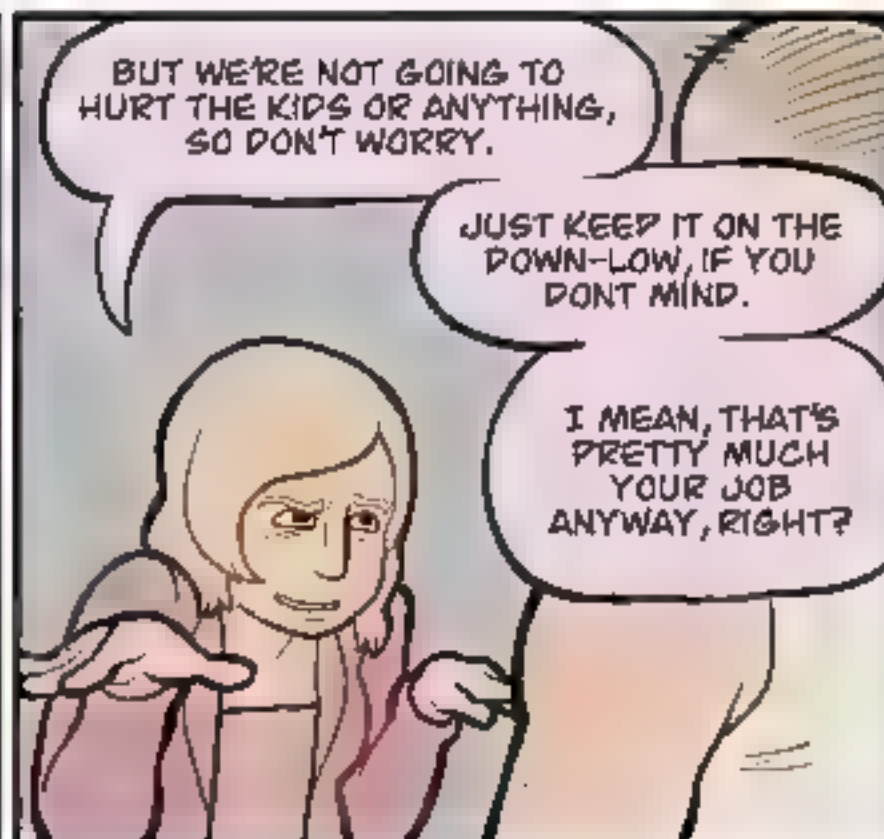
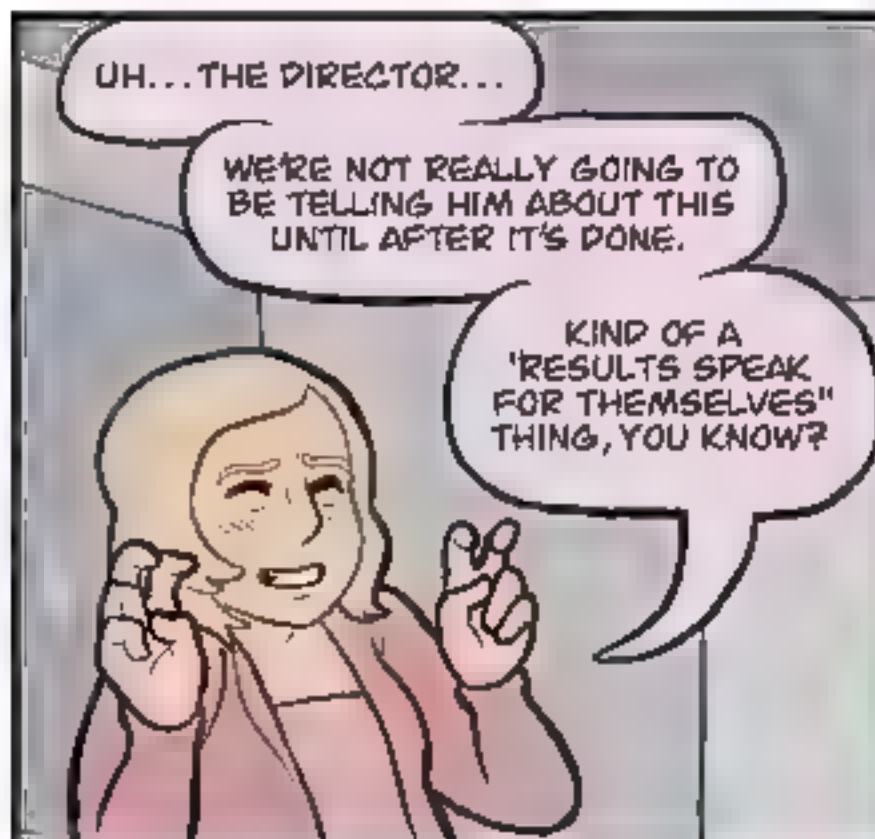




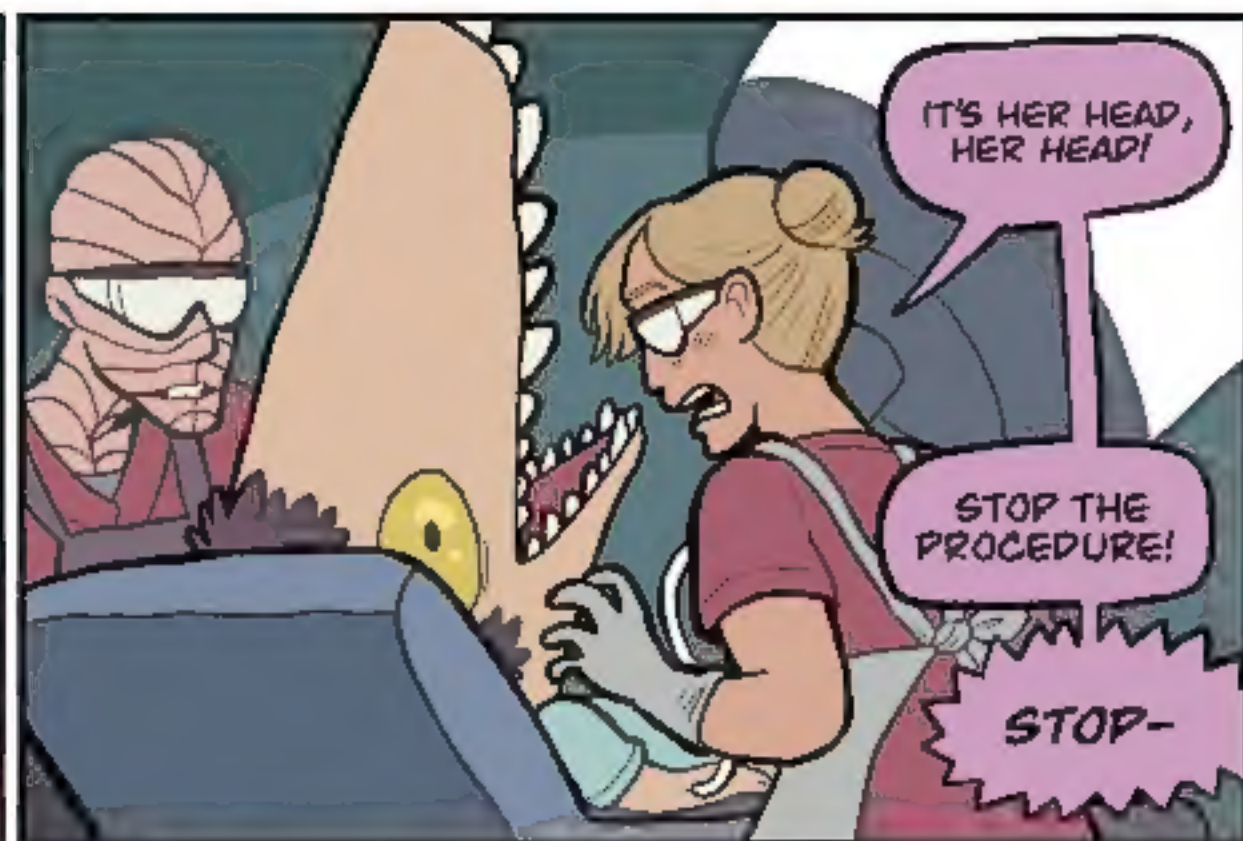




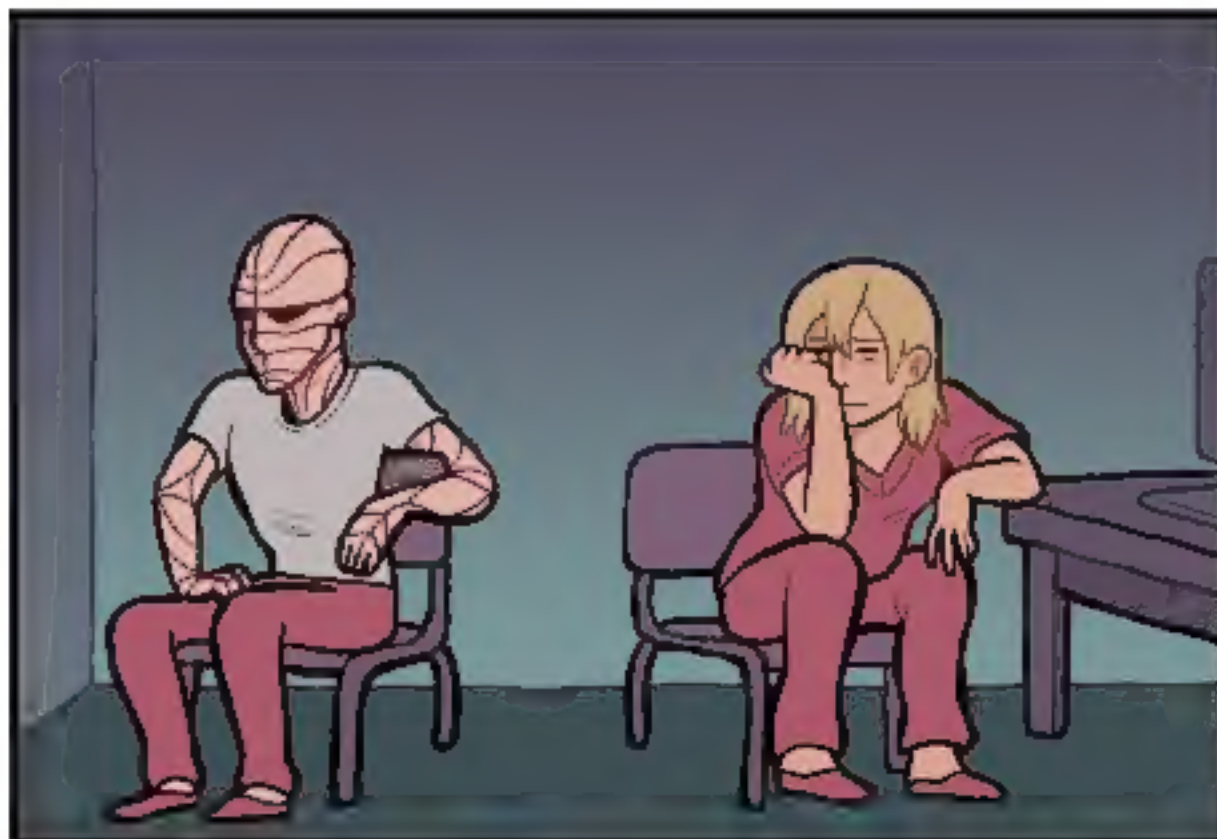












SHE'S STABLE  
NOW, AT LEAST...

I THINK SHE'LL  
BE OKAY.



IT'S A VERY  
INTERESTING CASE.

HER HEAD IS  
PHYSICALLY  
SEPARATE, BUT  
STILL FUNCTIONS.

I WONDER IF HER  
BRAIN IS AFFECTED?  
WE'LL HAVE TO STUDY  
HER BEHAVIOR-

GOD.

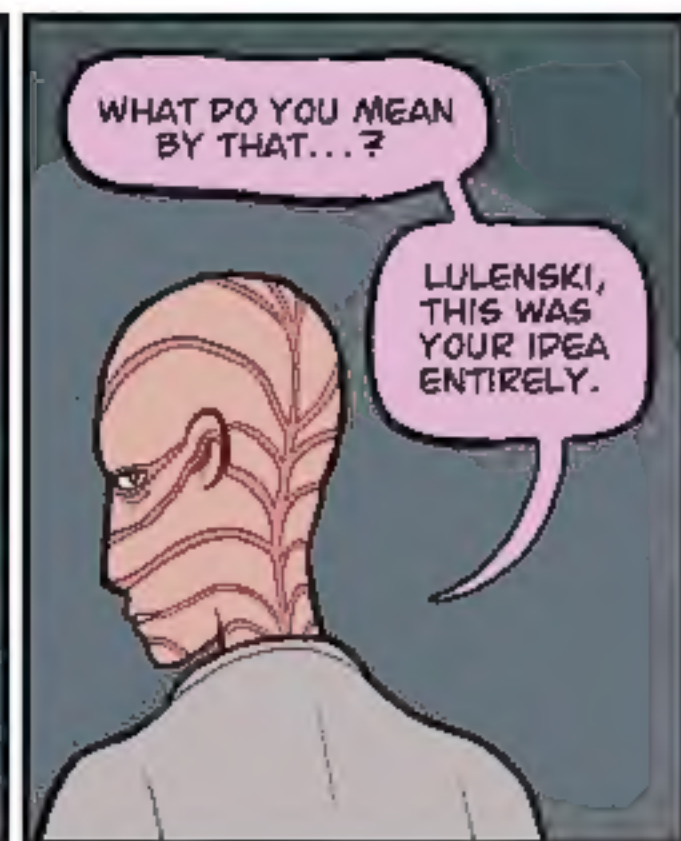


MAYBE IT'S BETTER THAT  
SHE'LL IS SHUTTING DOWN.

I CAN'T BELIEVE-

I CAN'T BELIEVE  
I LET YOU TALK  
ME INTO DOING THIS.

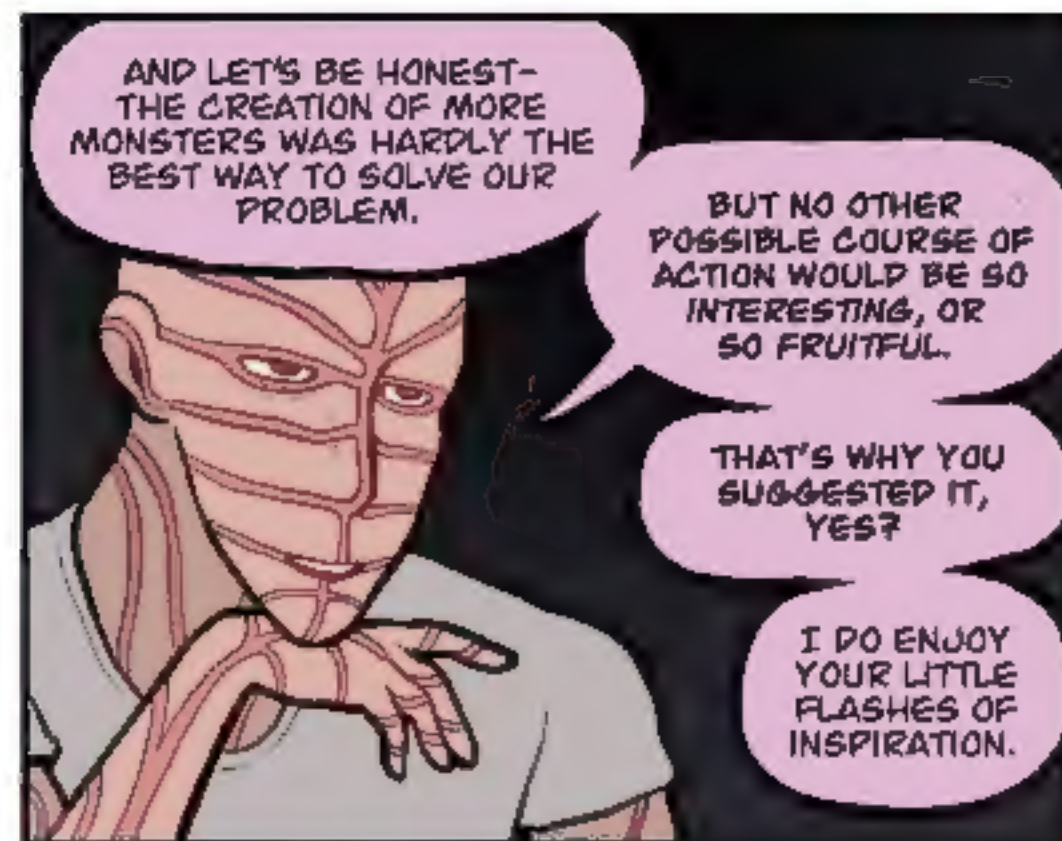
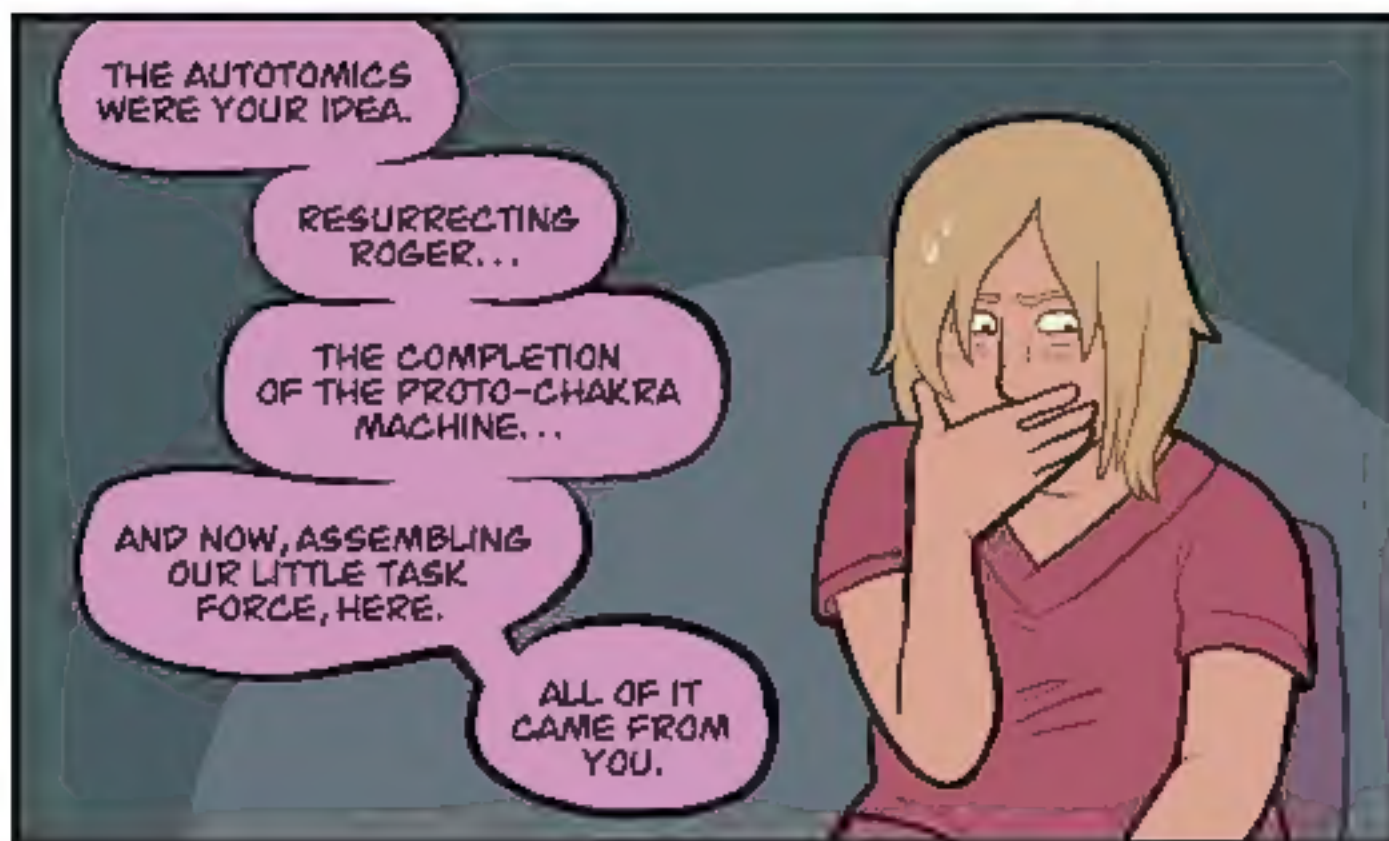
THAT POOR  
LITTLE GIRL...



WHAT DO YOU MEAN  
BY THAT...?

LULENSKI,  
THIS WAS  
YOUR IDEA  
ENTIRELY.



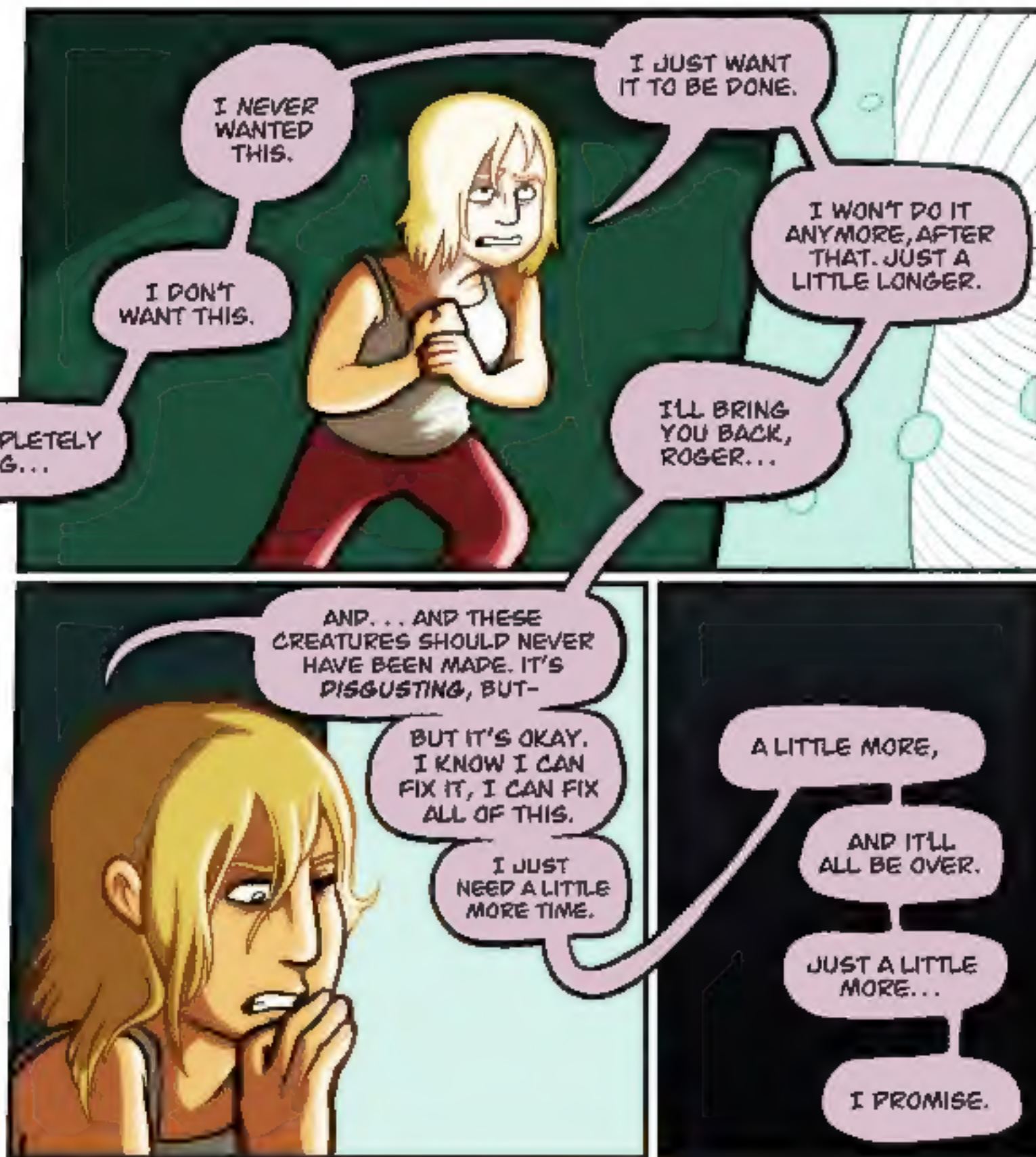






HE'S WRONG.

HE'S COMPLETELY  
WRONG...



I NEVER  
WANTED  
THIS.

I DON'T  
WANT THIS.

I JUST WANT  
IT TO BE DONE.

I WON'T DO IT  
ANYMORE, AFTER  
THAT. JUST A  
LITTLE LONGER.

I'LL BRING  
YOU BACK,  
ROGER...

AND... AND THESE  
CREATURES SHOULD NEVER  
HAVE BEEN MADE. IT'S  
DISGUSTING, BUT-

BUT IT'S OKAY.  
I KNOW I CAN  
FIX IT, I CAN FIX  
ALL OF THIS.

I JUST  
NEED A LITTLE  
MORE TIME.

A LITTLE MORE,

AND IT'LL  
ALL BE OVER.

JUST A LITTLE  
MORE...

I PROMISE.